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Gov. Reeves issues 'Safe Return' order



Gov. Tate Reeves issued his newest order last Wednesday during his daily press briefing.

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Gov. Tate Reeves on Wednesday announced his "Safe Return" order.

The current "Safer-At-Home" — Order No. 1488 — is set to expire on Monday, June 1 at 8 a.m.

Reeves' new Executive Order No. 1492 goes into effect on Monday, June, 1 at 8 a.m. and will remain in effect until Monday, June 15 at 8 a.m.

The new order has an updated list of social distancing guidelines for businesses, healthcare professionals, and indoor and outdoor recreation. These were made with contributions from the Mississippi's State Health Officer Dr. Thomas Hobbs and other health experts.

"We are facing two ongoing emergencies," Reeves said during Wednesday's live press briefing.

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Meet the Echo's summer junior reporter

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The Sea Coast Echo is proud to welcome Katie Stevens



Katie Stevens

as this summer's junior reporter.

Katie, 13, is a resident of Bay St. Louis and the daughter of Robin and Mark. She is sister to Sam, Nathan, Lucy, and Betsy.

She has been homeschooled for her entire educational career thus far.

"I like that I get more free time because, with public school, I feel like there is a lot of homework to worry about after school," she said. "For homeschooling, it's all homework."

Katie said that she wanted to become a junior reporter because she "I love to write,"

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County agrees to signage marking Least Tern nests on the beach

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The Hancock County Board of Supervisors on Monday heard from Sarah Pacyna, the Coastal Birds Stewardship Program Manager for the National Audubon Society, about the Least Tern nesting areas on the beach.

Pacyna said the least terns haven't nested on the beaches in Hancock County since about 2017.

The least terns have arrived this year with about 12 nests located about six parcels east of Bienville Drive, she said.

"We are seeking to post and rope it off asking people to give space to those birds," she said. "It also prevents people that are maintaining the beach to go around the area and let those birds go through their nesting process and then those birds will return to South America later this season."

Pacyna said the Audubon Society has been working in Hancock County for the past six years.

Melinda Averhart, stewardship manager for the Audubon Mississippi Coast Bird Stewardship Program, said the organization has been working with local elementary students to create signs indicating where nests are. She said she worked with Waveland Elementary's art teacher Dale Pohl.

Pohl, via a phone interview after the meeting, said that Audubon approached the school about hosting a program about the Least Terns for the Kindergarten-

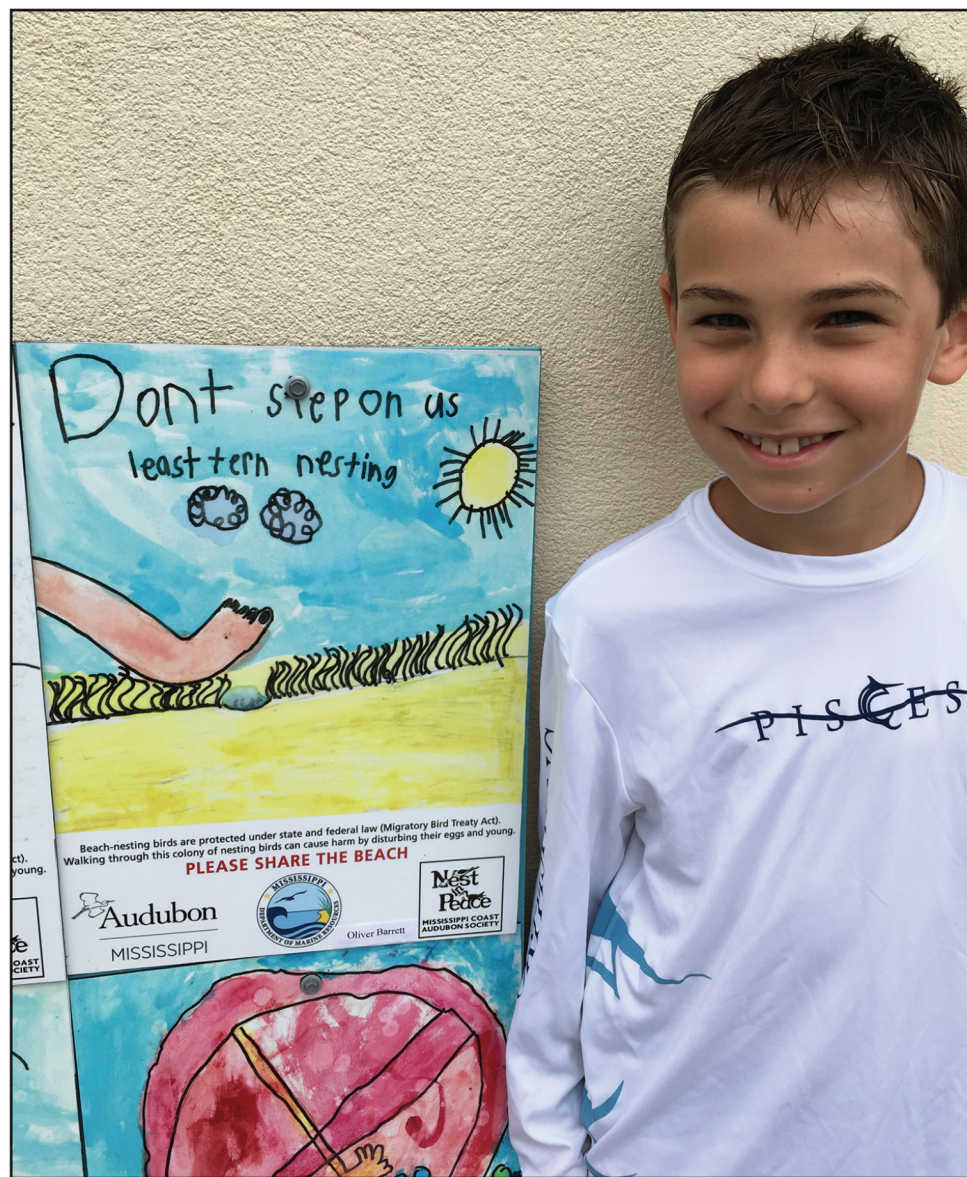


Photo courtesy of Dale Pohl

Oliver Barret, as a second grader at Waveland Elementary, made this sign to alert people to the Least Tern nests located on the beach.

through-second-grade students.

Audubon representatives informed students about the Least Tern's habitats, diets, and camouflage, Pohl said. She added that Audubon provided pre-packaged art kits to create mixed media collages indicating a Least Tern's nest.

The second graders went a little further with their research and created posters describing what Least Terns are and

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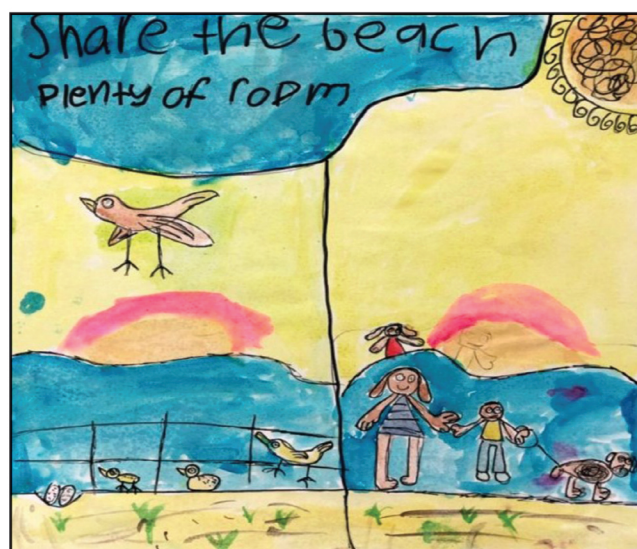


Photo courtesy of Dale Pohl

Then second grader Maicee C.'s sign about Least Terns.

Bay St. Louis announces plans for Bayou LaCroix boat launch

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The city of Bay St. Louis on Wednesday announced the purchase of property on Highway 603 — which will be developed into a public boat launch.

The property is the location of the former "Cave" establishment.

According to a release from the city, the purchase of the property was made possible by GOMESA (Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act) funds, which the city secured through a grant application.

The city plans to begin an immediate revitalization (using GOMESA funds) of the property, which includes renovating the boat launch; providing portable restroom facilities; and upgrading the existing parking lot.

The release states that Bay St. Louis Mayor Mike Favre and Ward 6 Councilman Josh DeSalvo were "instrumental in securing the funds for the boat launch."

"We are very excited to announce that a public boat launch is coming to Ward 6," Favre said in the release. "The boat launch will benefit not only the citizens of Ward 6, but the entire city and our guests. Safe and reliable access to Bayou LaCroix has been needed for a long time. We are happy that we are able to secure the funding to make this boat launch a reality at no expense to our citizens. This project has been a true collaboration between the administration

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Mississippi's number of confirmed COVID-19 cases surpasses 16,000

COVID-19 Presumed Recovered Cases through May 31, 2020, Mississippi

11,203
Presumed Recovered*

*Reflects Provisional Estimates. Presumed Recovered if:

- 1) It has been 14 days or more since the case tested positive, if they were not hospitalized
- 2) It has been 21 days or more since the case tested positive, if they were hospitalized or hospitalization was unknown.

All deaths excluded. Presumed recovered counts will be updated weekly.

Photo courtesy of MSDH

The number of presumed recovered as of May 31 is 11,203.

ECHO STAFF

The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) on Tuesday reported 268 new cases of COVID-19 in the state and 28 new deaths, 10 of which were identified from death certificate reports logged between May 6 and May 27. One of the deaths occurred in Hancock County.

“Mississippi’s total of COVID-19 cases since March 11 now stands at 16,020, with 767 deaths,” according to the agency’s update on Tuesday. “Thirty-nine of the new cases reported today were among residents in long-term care facilities, and there are now 127 active outbreaks of

COVID-19 in long-term care facilities (where an outbreak is one or more cases among residents or staff).”

The MSDH reported 251 new cases of COVID-19 and five new deaths on Monday; 272 new cases with 11 new deaths on Sunday; and 439 cases with 13 new deaths on Saturday, marking two days in a row with more than 400 new cases.

Hancock County’s totals now stand at 91 cases with 12 deaths; and nine cases and three deaths in long-term care facilities.

In Harrison County, there is now a total of 263 cases with seven deaths, including three cases and two deaths in long-term care facilities. Pearl River County

now has a total of 211 cases of the novel coronavirus with 31 deaths; and 45 cases and 11 deaths in long-term care facilities.

As of May 31, 11,203 Mississippi residents are “presumed recovered” from COVID-19, according to MSDH.

As of 6 p.m. on June 1, 187,270 Mississippians had been tested for the virus.

“Anyone with symptoms of fever, severe cough or severe chest pains – especially those who are older or in poor health – should make arrangements for testing with their doctor or one of the many healthcare providers now performing testing,” according to MSDH. “Healthcare providers can assess

your health history and symptoms, and perform testing for COVID-19 as needed. MSDH is also helping conduct free drive-up testing sites in many parts of the state. Always call ahead to the testing provider for instructions on safely being examined before you visit for your test.”

There are COVID-19 testing sites open in Hancock County.

• Hancock Women’s Center, 1009 Benigno Lane, Bay St. Louis. Walk-ins are welcome, both male and female, with results in 36-14 hours. Open Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; and Friday, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. For more, please call 228-467-2555 or go to www.hancockwomen-scenter.com.

• Memorial Drinkwater Internal Medicine Walk-In Clinic, 300 Drinkwater Drive, Bay St. Louis, Monday – Friday 8 a.m.–5 p.m. and Sat & Sun 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
• Memorial Hancock Family Practice, 4433 Leisure Time Drive, Diamondhead, Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sat & Sun 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

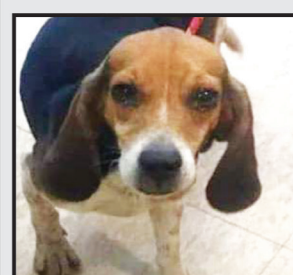
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Hurricane season has begun, with a named storm already on its way to the U.S.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

Think this year couldn't get any worse between a worldwide pandemic and nationwide protests? Now we get to look forward to "an above-normal Atlantic hurricane season" with a named storm currently predicted to make landfall in the U.S. somewhere between Texas and the Florida panhandle early next week.

Hurricane season began on Monday, and "An above-normal 2020 Atlantic hurricane season is expected," according to forecasters with NOAA's Climate Prediction Center, a division of the National Weather Service. "The outlook predicts a 60 percent chance of an above-normal season, a 30 percent chance of a near-normal season and only a 10 percent chance of a below-normal season. The Atlantic hurricane season runs from June 1 through November 30.

The first two named storms of the season — Arthur and Bertha — actually occurred in May, but didn't threaten the U.S. Tropical Depression Three was officially named "Tropical Storm Cristobal" on Monday, and was causing flash flooding in parts of Mexico and Central America on Tuesday.

Forecasters say Cristobal will likely continue to swirl in the southern Gulf of Mexico until the weekend, when it will then move north toward the continental U.S. By late Sunday, according to the National Hurricane Center's current probable path of the storm, it is likely to be just south of Louisiana with maximum sustained winds of 65 mph.

"As with every hurricane season, the need to be prepared is critically important this year," according to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

"Social distancing and other CDC guidance to keep you safe from COVID-19 may impact the disaster preparedness plan you had in place, including what is in your go-kit, evacuation routes, shelters and more. With tornado season at its peak, hurricane season around the corner, and flooding, earthquakes and wildfires a risk year-round, it is time to revise and adjust your emergency plan now," said Carlos Castillo, acting deputy administrator for resilience at FEMA. "Natural disasters won't wait, so I encourage you to keep COVID-19 in mind when revising or making your plan for you and your loved ones, and don't forget your pets. An easy way to start is to

download the FEMA app today."

"Preparation is critical, especially since we are expecting an above-average season this year," Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Executive Director Greg Michel said last month. "With water temperatures in the Gulf of Mexico at record highs we could potentially experience dangerous hurricanes in the 2020 hurricane season. With the added challenges of COVID-19, MEMA is addressing necessary considerations for response operations, sheltering and evacuation plans."

"When preparing for a hurricane, the first step is to have a plan of action — the time to get your plan in place is now, not when a storm threatens," Mississippi Department of Transportation Southern District Commissioner Tom King said in a statement Monday. "MDOT offers different resources to help you get started, and we urge all Mississippians to take advantage of them."

There were 18 named storms during last year's Atlantic hurricane season, according to MEMA, and five of those storms formed in the Gulf of Mexico.

"Being prepared now and throughout the hurri-

cane season is crucial to ensure the safety of you and your family, should a storm come ashore," said Rear Admiral John Na-

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WPSO arrests Hancock County fugitive

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Earlier this week, the Washington Parish Sheriff's Office arrested a man wanted on an aggravated battery charge in Hancock County, Miss., according to WPSO Chief Deputy Mike Haley.

On Monday, the WPSO received notification from the Hancock County Sheriff's Office that a person they were seeking was in Washington Parish, Haley said. Hancock County had a warrant for Justin Nathaniel Gunnell, 20, for aggravated battery, stabbing another person.

On Tuesday, the WPSO received additional information from Hancock County, indicating the wanted man was hiding out in a residence at 1807 Ave. E in Bogalusa, Haley said.

"Washington Parish Sheriff's Office deputies responded to the residence, accompanied by Washington Parish Sher-

iff's Office Drug Task Force detectives, Hancock County Sheriff's Office detectives and the Rayburn Correctional Center canine unit," he said. "Gunnell was located hiding in a closet and taken into custody without incident."

"When he was searched, illegal drugs were discovered in his pockets. He was transported to the Washington Parish Jail, where he will remain until extradited to Mississippi."

Haley said that Gunnell is no stranger to Washington Parish law enforcement. In 2017, he was arrested for burglary of an inhabited dwelling, criminal damage to property and five counts of theft of firearms. He was released the following day after posting a \$10,500 bond.

He was arrested again in 2018 for possession of illegal drugs, Haley said. In 2019, he was arrested for unauthorized entry into an inhabited dwell-

ing and unauthorized use of a movable.

"After Gunnell's 2017 arrest, I hoped that the stark reality of that arrest would signal the beginning of a new course for him," Washington Parish Sheriff Randy Seal said. "Obviously it didn't. Gunnell continues to engage in criminal activity and he is likely to spend much of his adult life behind bars. Jails and prisons were designed for persons who refuse to conform to the standards of a decent and civilized society and who have no respect for the rights of others."

"It seems Gunnell fits that description. I appreciate the help of all of our WPSO officers as well as our law enforcement partners from Rayburn. We are glad to be able to assist Hancock County and will always stand ready to work with any law enforcement agency to solve crimes and arrest criminals."

Bay police probe report of gunshots near hospital; chief says there's no evidence of trouble

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Bay St. Police Chief Gary Ponthieux said that law enforcement authorities received a call at 8:53 a.m. on Wednesday about a report of gunshots fired outside Ochsner Medical Center — Hancock.

"We did get a call that someone heard a gunshot at Ochsner," Ponthieux said. "We did respond to the report and canvassed the area and interviewed people. We have not located any suspects or any evidence of a shooting at this time."

Ponthieux said authorities have also been in contact with Ochsner's security team and that they have found no evidence either.

Ponthieux said that authorities have

also searched the areas surrounding the hospital.

A release from Ochsner Medical Center -- Hancock states, "At approximately 8:30 a.m., what sounded like gunshots were reported near Ochsner Medical Center -- Hancock. Our emergency response team immediately responded and contacted local law enforcement for further investigation. Out of an abundance of caution, the hospital and surrounding clinics operated under a brief lockdown. The Hancock Sheriff's Office and Bay St. Louis Police Department quickly cleared the building as a non-threat. During this time, no patients, visitors or employees were in immediate danger, and there was no to minimal interruption of patient care. As always, patient safety is our top priority."



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how to protect their habitats.

Averhart told the board that these signs will be a “little more appealing to the public.”

“Basically, what we would do is go out and put some wooden posts up, this is not a big colony,” she said. “We have some pretty huge colonies in Biloxi, so this one over here is rather small. We have some brand new white rope which is easy to see. We would simply just put a square basically around the direct area that the birds are nesting and symbolic in a sense, it doesn’t actually keep anyone out, it’s just to give them (birds) a little bit of a buffer zone.”

Averhart said the birds have been nesting in Hancock County for the past three-to-four weeks and are about halfway through the process.

“So probably in the next week or two, we will see some chicks hatch out,” she said. “They are not able to fly for three-to-four weeks, so basically we’re looking at maybe four-to-six more weeks that we would want to keep this area posted.”

Averhart said the childrens’ signs along with informative signs would be placed at the site.

Supervisor Theresa Ryan asked if Audubon received prior permission from the board to place the pink flags that are on the beach now.

Board President Scotty Adam said “nobody did.” He added that he doesn’t have a problem with the area being marked and does not think that anyone will “intentionally harm the birds.”

“We put pink flags down there to understand where the birds were so we could monitor them weekly,” Pacyna said. “When we learned, we try to get on the agenda to speak with y’all.”

She said the nests span about 50 meters and do not go all the way down to the shoreline.

Pacyna said the terns are protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

She said that the initial flags were placed out there to also make beach maintenance crews aware of the birds’ presence.

“They’re tiny and they blend in with the sand,” she said. “The chicks and the eggs camouflage really well with the sand. Terns can be a bit aggressive. People use the term ‘Mama Bear,’ they should really use the term ‘Mama Least Tern,’ because she will protect her babies. If you get too close, they’re gonna dive on and they’ll defecate on you. This also provides a little space for people to enjoy their time on the beach. We’re looking at strategies to share the shore.”

She added that Audubon has received GOMESA funding to leverage these birds for nature-based tourism.

Board attorney Gary Yarborough said that beach front property owners do have rights.

“The general concept is that it is state-owned beach, maintained by the county, but we can’t artificially interrupt someone’s ability to get to the water,” he said. “We have to maintain that. In other words a license to use the beach to get to

the water.”

Yarborough said that last time the matter came before the board, it wasn’t officially approved, “we had stated previously that we would not object to them roping it off.”

Ryan said her concern is that “we’re setting a precedence here.”

“Because we do not know where they’re going to come next year,” she said. “Suppose they come back next year and they’re 300 yards wide and they encompass three residences and cover those residents’ access to get to the beach.”

Pacyna said that the ropes are meant to be “symbolic,” but are more noticeable than the pink flags.

“We’re not trying to prevent access for anyone,” she said. “We do politely ask that people walk around. We are not law enforcement and can’t actually stop people from picking up a rope and going through.”

For future years, Pacyna said that one thing Audubon have done in the past when there has been homeowner concerns is work with beach maintainers to provide “extra disturbance” leading up to the Least Terns’ arrival and that disturbance, “along with the use of social attraction (music boxes and decoys) to lure the terns further away.”

Ryan said that she doesn’t believe anyone wants to harm the birds.

“This happens to be in my district,” she said. “My job as a supervisor is to represent the people of that district. So I am for protecting the birds and I’m also for protecting these peoples’ rights and to allow them easy access to the water. I don’t have any problems with the flags.”

Residents also voiced their opinions about the nesting areas.

Cliff Rabelais of Bay St. Louis said Least Terns depend on nesting areas for their livelihood.

“Hancock County, in particularly Bay St. Louis and Waveland, depend on beaches for their livelihood,” he said. “Our economy here is based on tourism.”

The beaches are “manmade,” he said. “The Least Terns chose these beaches, beaches with regular foot traffic from humans to have their nesting areas,” Rabelais said. “Apparently, the presence of humans is not a significant deterrent to Least Terns on deciding where it wants to have a nesting colony. We as humans interfered with nature when we built the beaches. These Least Terns have found the beaches and ‘invaded’ them as a suitable nesting site, even with humans present. By most considerations, these birds would be considered an invasive species.”

He said that he agrees that there does need to be protection for the birds.

“The areas marked off for restricted access are excessively large,” he said. “The erection of fences and the use of guards, which a couple of years we had guards, they may be out there for information, but they were very intimidating to the local people.”

Rabelais said prohibiting people from going to the beach is “unnecessary,” and that the Least Tern colony grew prior to protections.

“If the precedent is set here that the public ac-

cess to privately-owned beach property can be restricted, it’s only appropriate that the owner of said beach property would have the legal right to restrict public access,” he said. “Private ownership of beach parcels is one of the big differences between Harrison County, where most of the beaches are state owned, just like the beaches up near the highway in Bay St. Louis are state-owned. But the beaches down in this area of Bay St. Louis and Waveland are privately owned.”

Resident Henry Martinez said he has lived on the beach for about 31 years.

Prior to 2017, he said, the birds nested in front of his home.

During that time, Martinez said he tried to “keep everyone away from them.”

“The colony has grown to a sizable colony without the help of fencing or having watchdogs there on the beach,” he said. “We have a sizable investment on the beaches of Hancock County. And the reason that we do, at least my reason, is we came here 30 some odd years ago because the quality of life and my kids to grow free on the beach and play. And now my grandkids are doing the same. And this threatens, the fencing, whether it’s just a pole and a line. It’s offensive to look at from your house. When you sit in the afternoon for a little toddy or tea or whatever with your kids of family or friends.”

Martinez said the “birds chose a spot.”

“What if we have two miles of beach now with the birds? Are we gonna fence all the two miles?,” Martinez said. “What is that going to do for the citizens of Hancock County that have a sizable investment in Hancock County? What is that going to do for the future of the real estate of the beach in Hancock County? I think it will be negative.”

Martinez said he thinks flagging does the job and he is okay with that.

He said that back around 2017, Audubon put up fencing, poles, and signage claiming “it was a federal offense by crossing the nesting area or penetrating the nesting area.”

“This group offended my family,” he said. “In more than one way. They hovered over the people that approached the area like vultures.”

During that time, Martinez said that when his teenaged granddaughter walked her dog on the beach, “she got assaulted by volunteers.”

“Telling her she was going to be arrested, that she was breaking federal law, etc., etc., etc.,” Martinez said. “Those kinds of things cannot be acceptable. Like I said, I think most of us will agree to the flags. Anything further than that, it’s offensive and against our rights.”

Waveland resident Bryan Therolf said the migratory sea birds add to the quality of life to this county.

He said that many people bike riding and walking along the beach “love those birds in that area.”

“I’ve heard about tourism, ecotourism,” he said. “I’m not a wildlife person, I’m not a bird watcher, but I enjoy the environment and the uniqueness to different

areas. These migratory birds, which are protected by federal law, add to Hancock County beach. And we talk about tax payers, that beach would not be there if it wasn’t for federal tax payer money. Our tax payer money. When we buy gas, some of that tax money goes to the maintenance of that beach. So as far as taxpayers, the federal government, the federal and state tax payer is very involved in that beach.”

Therolf said that the fencing “designates” the nesting area.

“As far as blocking access to the beach, I have no trouble getting access to the beach or getting access to the water,” he said. “Nor does anyone else. And whether it’s 50 yards, 100 yards or 150 yards, it’s not two miles and it’s far, far away from ever developing into two miles. I think we just need to back up a little bit, work together, this is a uniqueness that we have right in front of us and we need to get a little bit more involved in what’s around us and all work together.”

Adam said that he thinks everyone is in agreement that the birds will be protected.

“Is a fence necessary or a rope?” he said. “They’ve been there for how many weeks already and nothing’s been up but flags. Hopefully, they’re flourishing. Hopefully people are cognizant, when they’re walking their dogs especially, that they need to keep them on a leash for one and be aware of your surroundings on the beach especially and help take care of the birds. Everyone needs to help do that.”

Bay St. Louis resident Candy Geary said

she moved to the area because of its “natural beauty.”

“It’s my belief that humans are intended to interact with God’s creation harmoniously,” she said. “We can coexist with these birds. What Audubon is asking is a very simple ask. It’s a short-term, very powerful solution to have bright white ropes that can be seen.”

She added that from a distance, people will be able to see the white rope and the children’s educational artwork.

After the comments, the board approved a motion to allow Audubon to place the children’s signage on stakes around the nests.

The board did not approve the ropes.

In other action:

The board reopened the remainder of the county’s public facilities, which includes the pavilions and community centers.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 15 at 9 a.m.



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Taking it seriously

You may have read the angry Facebook posts about COVID-19 awareness written by people who, without realizing it, predicted the seriousness of the present.

Such posts were mostly written back in early March and told people that if they didn't take the spreading virus seriously, we'd all end up getting it. People, my family included, shook their heads and assured each other that COVID-19 wasn't much worse than the flu. But about two weeks into March, everything changed. Events were cancelled. Schools, churches, and offices closed. Not much besides Walmart stayed open.

Now, as businesses start to re-open, we see the problems that the months-old Facebook posts addressed return. I haven't been out to many stores, but when I do go out, I see very poor execution of the strongly-suggested CDC guidelines. While the government hasn't ordered that people wear masks, some stores require it, and most others strongly suggest it. People pull their masks down under their noses or chins, completely defeating the purpose of the mask. Others leave out the mask entirely, sure that they won't be the ones to test positive for the virus. Just this Thursday, while shopping in Burke's Outlet of Zuppardo's Plaza, my mask earned a few hushed giggles from a pair of young girls and a nervous stare from a toddler. Masks and staying six feet apart aren't normal yet—and people are still holding onto the hope that they will never have to be. While returning to the same Burke's to return a few items, I forgot my mask entirely-- an example of the people I previously addressed in this article.

This isn't to say that no one is taking it seriously. Our wonderful health care workers are hard at work trying to flatten the curve of COVID-19 cases. Cashiers and employees are being instructed to wear masks at all times and disinfect checkout counters and bathrooms after each use. I wouldn't want to invalidate the people who are helping keep us all safe—only call on the people who are ignoring the CDC guidelines and falsely assuring themselves that there is no way they will test positive for the virus. Everything is a possibility, and I hope you'll consider this article the next time you prepare to leave your house unmasked.

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Staff Column
By Katie Stevens
Junior Reporter

Wicker: Innovation Is Key to Overcoming COVID-19

Pandemic Highlights Importance of Telehealth and Medical Research

When the coronavirus outbreak first reached America, experts warned that a flood of new cases could push hospitals to the breaking point. Yet several months later, it is now clear that our early actions and months of sacrifice have prevented such an outcome. We have made real progress in flattening the curve, allowing hospitals to begin resuming elective procedures on a case-by-case basis.

Recent advances in technology and medical research have played a major role during this crisis. Continued investments in telehealth, testing, and vaccine development will be critical to overcoming COVID-19 and preparing for future health challenges.

TELEHEALTH MAKES UP FOR DISTANCE
In a time when many



From the Senate
By Sen. Roger Wicker

health facilities have cut down on non-emergency visits, telehealth has been pivotal in helping people connect with their health care providers. For years now, telehealth has allowed patients to consult a physician over the phone or through video – from the comfort and safety of their home. This is especially helpful to people in rural areas and communities locat-

ed far away from health specialists. This revolutionary form of care has grown exponentially during the pandemic.

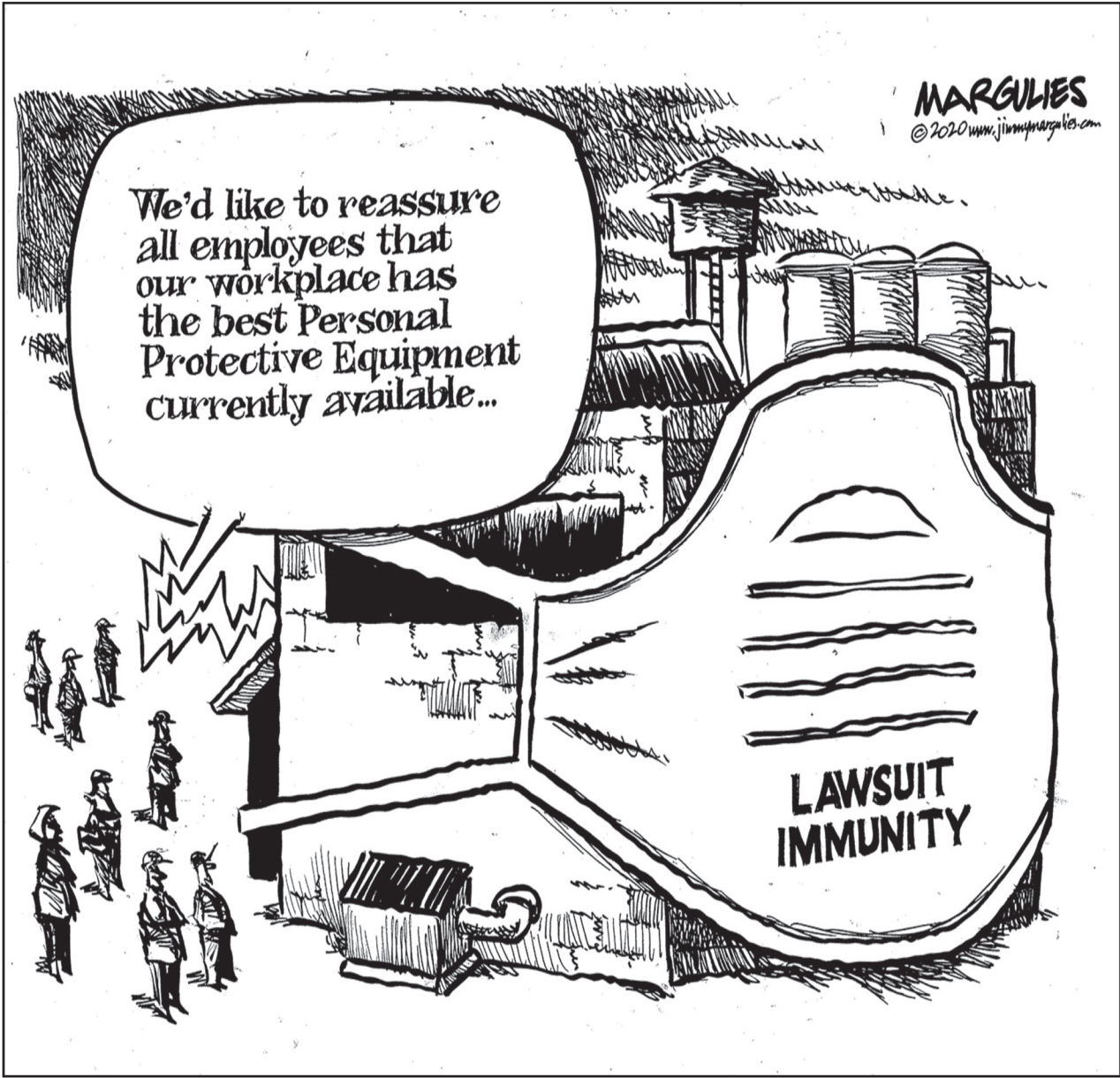
Unfortunately, Medicare patients have been unable to take full advantage of telehealth until recently. When Congress drafted the CARES Act, I worked to include provisions expanding Medicare coverage to include telehealth services. This has enabled millions of Medicare beneficiaries to access telehealth during the pandemic. I am now pushing Congress to make the provisions permanent by passing my CONNECT for Health Act. This legislation would help telehealth become a mainstay for Medicare beneficiaries over the years to come.

SUPPORTING CRITICAL RESEARCH
As important as our efforts have been in

slowing the spread of COVID-19, true relief will come only when a vaccine or cure is found. The FDA is fast-tracking the development of a made-in-America vaccine, and about a dozen other vaccines are being tested worldwide. Some of the early results have been promising.

In the meantime, the U.S. government is ramping up testing efforts, which will enable healthy people to go back to work and resume their social lives safely. Recently the federal government awarded Mississippi \$91 million to expand testing in our state. Nationally we have already seen a dramatic increase in testing, as daily tests have nearly doubled over the past

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It's time to support healthcare

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Mississippi hospitals have stepped up to build and staff temporary treatment facilities, overcome personal protective equipment (PPE) and ventilator shortages, and care for the sick and dying – often at great personal sacrifice. Mississippi's nearly 60,000 hospital employees are rightly being celebrated as #HealthcareHeroes and recognized by their communities for bravery and commitment.

Although positive COVID cases and hospitalizations were predicted to peak over a month ago, we have seen confirmed cases and hospitalizations increase and reach their highest levels in recent weeks. Now is not the time to let our



Guest Column
By Timothy H. Moore,
President and CEO
Mississippi Hospital
Association

guard down. We strongly encourage everyone to continue to social distance, wear masks, practice good hand hygiene and avoid large gatherings. We must remain vigilant to protect our-

selves and our neighbors.

We also must continue to protect our healthcare workers who are prepared to care for all of us. As Americans, we don't send those who wear the uniform for us into harm's way without the resources they need to win. We're fighting against COVID-19 in this country and our hospitals are on the front line. Let's not send them into harm's way without giving them the resources they need to be successful.

This week, the Mississippi Legislature will consider how it will disburse Coronavirus Relief Act funds. Hospitals have lost revenue as patients sheltered at home and elective procedures were cancelled. Hospitals have also incurred

significant expenses. The Mississippi Hospital Association has advised the Legislature that at least \$320 million is needed for hospitals to adequately recover the costs of coronavirus-related expenses. When May lost revenue is calculated, we expect that total lost revenue will exceed the approximately \$450 million in federal funding that hospitals have already received. With decreasing revenue and increased expenses, hospitals must have help from the Legislature.

Health care in Mississippi was already in a precarious position before the pandemic, primarily because so many

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Arrest Record

The following is a list of arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice Facility from the past week. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

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Marisa J. Wildhaber, 18, contempt of court failure to appear
Cassie A. Clement, 35, contempt of court failure to appear
John R. McCord, 64, contempt of court failure to appear x 3
William J. Cullen, 52, simple domestic violence simple assault
Rodolfo Chavez, Jr., 19, simple domestic violence simple assault
Mark B. Fayard, 49, felony possession of controlled substance x 2
Charlotte A. Williamson, 53, drunkenness/profanity in public place
James D. Smith, 36, simple domestic violence simple assault
Kodie L. Bounds, 32, possession of paraphernalia
Maconnelly N. Piazza, 29, disturbance of family indecent exposure abusive language, contempt failure to appear x 2
Khue N. Tran, 40, disorderly conduct
Anthony P. Bowen, 37, trespassing, probation violation
Dustin W. Savage, 28, contempt failure to appear, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams)

while operating a motor vehicle
Alfred G. Tallent, 47, felony possession of controlled substance
Alize L. Milton, 20, shoplifting, resisting/obstructing arrest, disorderly conduct
Kyle J. Cameron, 30, simple domestic violence simple assault x 2, resisting/obstructing arrest, probation violation
Joseph M. Johnson, 38, theft dogs, trespassing, stalking
Devin M. Bass, 20, contempt of court failure to appear x 4
Michael L. Hughes, Jr., 39, possession of weapon by felon
Enaam G. Joseph, 48, contempt failure to appear x 2
Schman P. Ladner, 42, petit larceny
James O. Ahlman, III, 58, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Trevor A. Boswell, 23, aggravated domestic violence, hold for other agency
Robert J. Maughan, 55, DUI first offense
Alan P. Rugg, 32, contempt of court failure to appear
Carla A. Breaux, 48, DUI first offense
Gage S. January, 21, DUI other substance
Heather M. Lawrence, 33, DUI
Angela M. Smith, 45, DUI first offense
Christopher D. Hiltibidal, 34, contempt failure to appear x 3
Katherine D. Vaughan, 31, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture,

distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense
Candace T. Fayard, 33, contempt of court failure to appear x 4
Jeffrey Cruz-Gomez, 25, hold for ICE
Bridget A. Gilmore, 50, shoplifting
Curt P. Picou, Jr., 41, shoplifting
Michael R. Beach, 43, felony possession of controlled substance, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle, contempt failure to comply
Scottie A. Santalla, 39, receiving stolen property, grand larceny
Keith P. Difiore, 45, simple domestic violence simple assault
Ray A. Daniels, 36, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense, tampering with physical evidence, possession of weapon by felon, resisting/obstructing arrest
Joe L. Bowens, 58, hold MDOC, contempt of court failure to appear
David E. Medlin, 35, felony possession of controlled substance
Chelsea D. Keen, 31, contempt failure to appear x 2
Brandy F. Edwards, 45, disturbing the peace
Zachary T. Kingston, 31, simple domestic violence simple assault, disturbing the peace, parole

violation
Roy S. Henderson, 48, assault aggravated domestic violence
Keith J. Warden, 41, DUI third/subsequent conviction, driving while license or driving privilege cancelled, careless driving
Vincent J. LeBlanc, Jr., 65, trespassing, contempt of court failure to appear x 2, driving while license or driving privilege cancelled, no insurance
Fred A. Haulk, 38, burglary
Edgar E. Rosas-Valdivia, 20, hold for ICE
Derrick G. Fox, Jr., 34, burglary, contempt of court failure to appear, hold MDOC
RaySean M. Grace, 26, disorderly conduct
Jennifer M. Callais, 43, possession of paraphernalia x 2, petit larceny
Grand Armstrong, Jr., 35, possession of paraphernalia
Jean L. Barletter, 28, contempt failure to appear
Allen W. Lewis, 42, possession of paraphernalia
April S. Conwell, 45, hindering prosecution or apprehension
Kayla M. Garcia, 25, violating order or court, contempt, punishment
Amanda S. Symonds, 40, child deprivation of necessities with substantial harm
David M. Barlow, 42, contempt of court failure to appear
Jeremy W. Everidge,

38, drunkenness/profanity in public place
James N. Smith, Jr., 36, probation violation, child abuse condoning
Kenneth A. Harshbarger, 37, no drivers license or expired, DUI first offense
Michael C. Schmitz, 44, DUI first offense, driving with suspended or revoked license
Daniel I. Whildon, 18, DUI first offense
John H. Tucker, Jr., 50, simple domestic violence simple assault
Brandon M. Oats, 33, seat belt violation, no insurance, driving with suspended or revoked license, possession of paraphernalia
Heather M. Nance, 30, possession of stolen firearm
Demi M. LaFleur, 25, no drivers license, no child restraints
Dwayne L. Dorsey, 39, failure to yield to blue lights, no drivers license, no insurance, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while oper-

ating a motor vehicle
Sherie M. Morel, 58, contempt of court failure to appear, felony possession of controlled substance, parole violation
Debra K. Sack, 54, hold for other agency

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WIC Benefits Soon Available Through EBT Cards Program will pilot in select counties

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The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is transitioning from a direct distribution food system to a retail food system via an electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card.
WIC participants will go from using paper vouchers for approved items to be picked up at a WIC food center to using an eWIC card to redeem benefits at approved grocery stores and pharmacies of their choice. In most locations there will be an approved grocery store and pharmacy within a 15-mile radius of their local WIC clinic.
“This will allow WIC participants to use their eWIC card at grocery stores and pharmacies where they will be able to choose their WIC benefit items,” said Diane Hargrove, Director of the MSDH WIC program. “They’ll have access to a wider variety of WIC-approved food products at various sites during more hours of operation.”
The Mississippi WIC transition is scheduled to be piloted in Forest and Lauderdale counties. Partici-

pants in those counties will receive their eWIC cards starting in October at their next WIC appointments. Final pick-up at those food centers will be at the end of December, and the food centers in those counties will close at the end of February 2021.
The schedule will continue with the rest of the counties throughout the state joining in a four-part rollout from mid-January through April 2021.
Before WIC participants can make their transition, grocery stores and pharmacies have to do their part. Retail grocery stores and pharmacies in the state have to apply to become WIC authorized vendors to sell WIC-approved food products and specially prescribed infant formula to WIC participants.
The agency is working diligently with USDA Food and Nutrition Service and contractors to ensure a smooth, productive transition process with limited risk and disruption to WIC participants.
The MSDH WIC Program is currently accepting applications from full-service grocery stores and pharmacies statewide. More information for vendors is available at www.freshnewwic.com.
Follow MSDH by e-mail and social media at www.HealthyMS.com/connect.

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Mississippians don’t have health insurance. The high level of uninsured Mississippians results in over \$600 million annually in uncompensated care costs for hospitals. This hampers the ability of our hospitals to continue to provide care; but most importantly, it hampers the ability of Mississippians to lead healthier lives. Sadly, the number of uninsured Mississippians will rise as employers

make difficult decisions during the pandemic.
Refusing to access additional federal funding for the past eight years to provide insurance coverage to working Mississippians has cost the state billions of dollars in federal revenue – money which was desperately needed yesterday and is critically needed today. In addition to providing funding to address the COVID crisis, we continue to call upon our elected leaders to consider options for extending health insurance to those who may have lost coverage through no fault of their own and to those who are unable to afford commercial coverage. As

the state expands unemployment benefits to those not normally eligible for benefits, what better time than during a pandemic to extend health care coverage to our friends and neighbors too?
The last three months have been unprecedented times for everyone. We appreciate the leadership of our Legislature during these difficult and unprecedented times, and we recognize that many Mississippians need assistance. We simply ask that they support our healthcare heroes and provide them with the resources they need to continue to take care of us all. It’s time to support healthcare.

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month. But continued growth is needed to provide tests for hundreds of millions of Americans.
Beyond developing a vaccine and improving testing, we should expect to face more hurdles

in our fight against the coronavirus. To address unforeseen challenges, I recently requested that the Trump Administration host prize competitions to spur innovation among private companies and researchers. I first began to champion these competitions in 2015 when I introduced the EUREKA Act. As a result of this law, three

prize winners are now developing technologies to improve the lives of Alzheimer’s patients. In the same way, government should harness the power of American ingenuity to meet the challenge of COVID-19.
Innovation Is the American Way
Our nation’s story has always been one of overcoming odds by thinking

big and thinking outside the box. When faced with a challenge, we see opportunity. Americans invented the telephone, the automobile, the computer, and the vaccine for polio. Each new innovation has made our nation stronger and safer. I believe the coronavirus is one more occasion for American ingenuity to rise to the challenge.

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MELVEREE BENDER BILLINGS

A graveside service was held Saturday, May 30, 2020 at 1pm., in the Picayune Cemetery, for Melveree Bender

Billings age 70 of Grenada, MS., who died May 17, 2020 in Grenada, MS. A native of Picayune, MS., she was the daughter of Sandy Sr. and Johnnie Mae Bender, Baylous Funeral Home in charge of arrangement.

BARBARA BELLE MOORE WAYCHOFF BOOS

Barbara Belle Moore Waychoff Boos, age 84, of Diamondhead, MS, died on 5/31/2020. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Riemann Family Funeral Home, Pass Christian is serving the family. The full obituary may be viewed at www.riemannfamily.com

EDDIE DISCISCIO

Eddie Disciscio, age 70, of Kiln, died 5/31/2020. Visitation, Sat., 6/6/2020 at 22110 Road 357, Kiln from

11am – 4pm. Riemann Fa.mily Funeral Home, Pass Christian is serving the family. Full obituary at www.riemannfamily.com

MARY JEAN (SIMMONS) GONZALES

Mary Jean (Simmons) Gonzales was born in Oakland, California May 16th, 1941 and was living in Waveland, Mississippi when she passed away on May 22, 2020, at the age of 79. Mary lived her childhood and teen years in Oakland, and relocated to the Gulfport, Mississippi area as a young adult. Mary met Robert Chesley Gonzales, whom she married and had five children. Robert passed away February 6th, 1988. Mary continued to live and the Gulfport, Miss. area until Hurricane Katrina, when she moved to Dallas, Texas, with daughter Katherine

and family. And finally, several years later, Mary, along with Katherine's family, moved back to Waveland, Miss. Mary was a Catholic. She loved TV game shows and cooking shows. She enjoyed going to the casinos on occasion, and going out to eat. Mary loved to spend time with her family, and family always came by to socialize with her. Mary's parents, Andy Christoferson, and Mary Silva have both passed on. Mary is survived by her daughters Kelly Gonzales, Peggy Sue Mills, and Bryan Malone, all of Bay St Louis, Katherine Marie LaSure and husband Delbert Ray, Pamela Ann Pitts and husband Billy of Waveland, Tammy

KayBauer and husband Steven of Diamondhead Miss., stepdaughters Patsy McGrew, and Judy Downey. Mary has 13 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. There was a Wake from 5pm to 7pm, Thursday, May 28th, 2020 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home, 110 S. Necaise Ave., Bay St. Louis, MS., 39520. Phone number is (228) 467-9031. Funeral Director is Brent Adkins. Burial was from 10 am to 12 noon, Friday, May 29th, 2020 at Wolf River Cemetery, 16490 Cemetery Rd., Gulfport, Ms., 39503. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

JACOB (JAKE) SCHWARTZ SR.

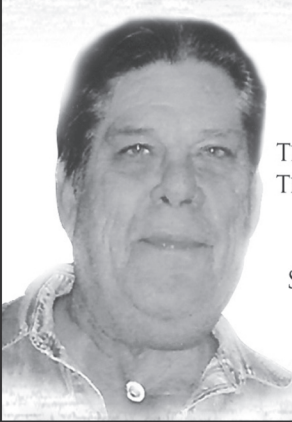
Jacob (Jake) Schwartz Sr. passed away Sunday, May 24, 2020. Jake was born March 17, 1928 in Ansley, Mississippi and was a resident of Metairie, Louisiana since 1968. He was a World War II Corporal in the United States Air Force. He was preceded in death by his loving wife Odessa Garcia Schwartz of 50 years. He is survived by two children Jacqueline Kaye and his son Jake Jr. He is also survived by four grandchildren, Sarah Estopinal and her husband Louis, Jacob Schwartz III, Christopher Schwartz and his wife Dixie and Kaylin Schwartz. He is also survived by thirteen great- grandchildren. An outdoor, open casket service for viewing will be held on Satur-



day, May 30, 2020 at Lakeshore Cemetery in Lakeshore Mississippi

at 11:00 A.M. Anyone wishing to attend, please respectfully maintain social distancing. A future date will be announced for a graveside memorial service at which time Military Honors will be presented. Funeral Services are being handled by Edmond Fahey Funeral Home.

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Hurricanes and tropical storms are anything but ordinary, and residents along the central Gulf Coast are quite familiar with the dangers associated with these severe weather events.

"Following a powerful hurricane, one of the most essential needs for a community to begin recovery is the reliable return of its most vital services," said Tricia Farace, Waste Management community relations manager - Gulf Coast Area. "That's why at Waste Management, we spend a lot of time in the weeks and months prior to the start of hurricane season focusing on hurricane preparedness and recovery planning."

In the event of an approaching tropical storm or hurricane, Waste Management will continue to provide collection and disposal services to its

valued customers according to designated schedules, until weather conditions prohibit. Waste Management will abide by all emergency declarations and guidance given by local and state authorities after such tropical weather events to determine when and where it is safe to resume services to customers. Waste Management will provide pertinent information regarding both suspension and resumption of services to affected areas.

Helpful hints for pre- and post-storm actions:

BEFORE THE STORM:

Secure garbage and recycling containers. Place empty containers in a secure location away from open spaces.

Stop all yard maintenance and tree trimming activities when there is a named storm with a predicted landfall.

Bundle and tie down all loose trash such as tree limbs, wood planks or building and roof tiles. Place these materials in a location where debris cannot become hazardous to homes and automobiles in high winds.

AFTER THE STORM:

Place normal household garbage and trash, such as food refuse, diapers and regular household waste at curbside and separated from storm debris (caused by severe weather such as high winds, hail and rain).

Storm debris, including tree limbs, carpet and carpet padding, aluminum and wood fencing, and household appliances should be placed curbside in separate piles, apart from the household garbage and trash.

Waste Management will post updates on its website at www.wm.com/alerts as an approaching hurricane causes closures and delays. The site is frequently updated both before and after the storm passes.

"Our value to a community is not always apparent unless collection stops," added Farace. "Doing everything we can to prepare before, and return to service as quickly as we can, after a crisis, is what being a good community partner is all about."



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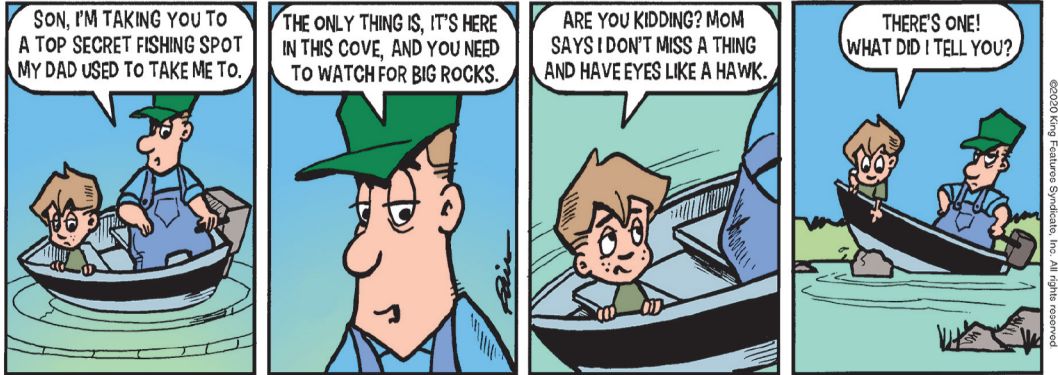
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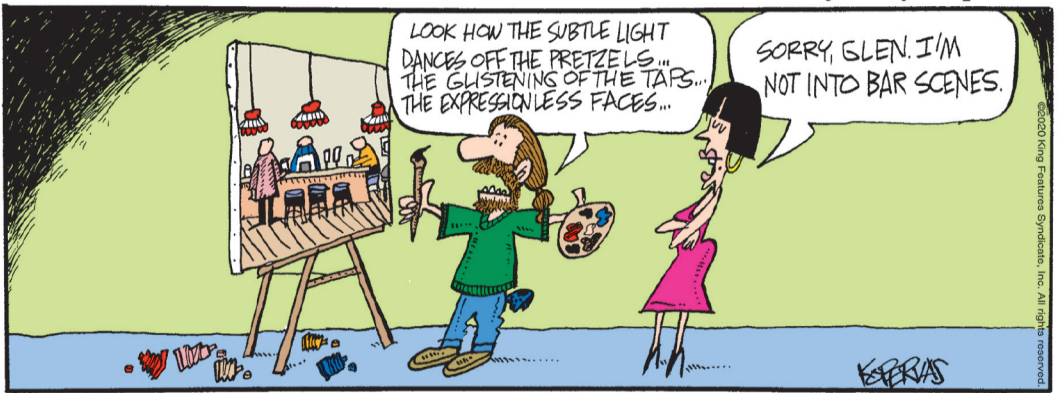


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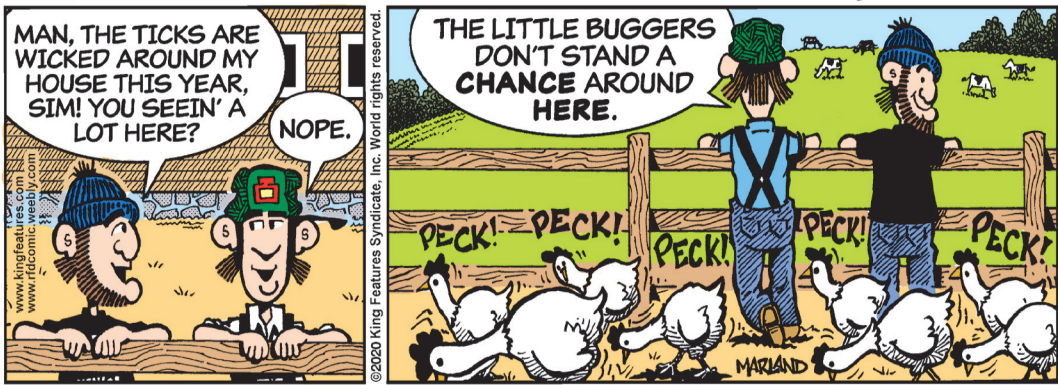
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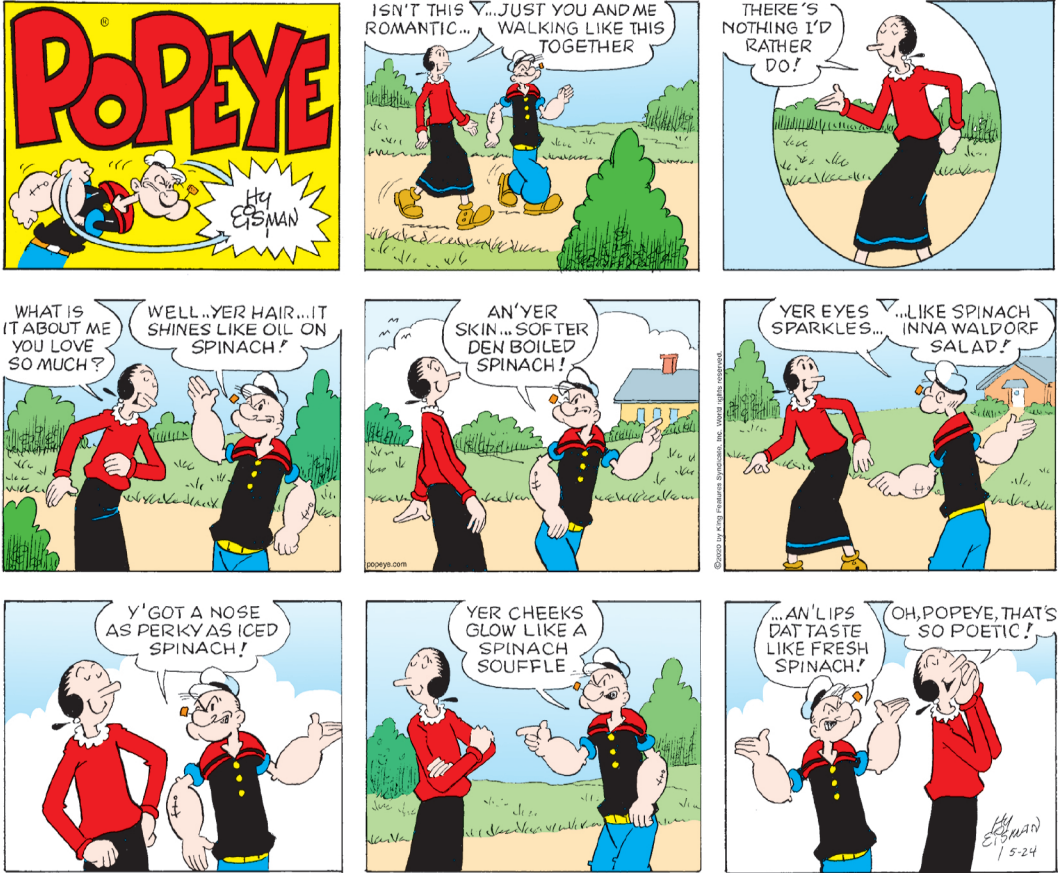
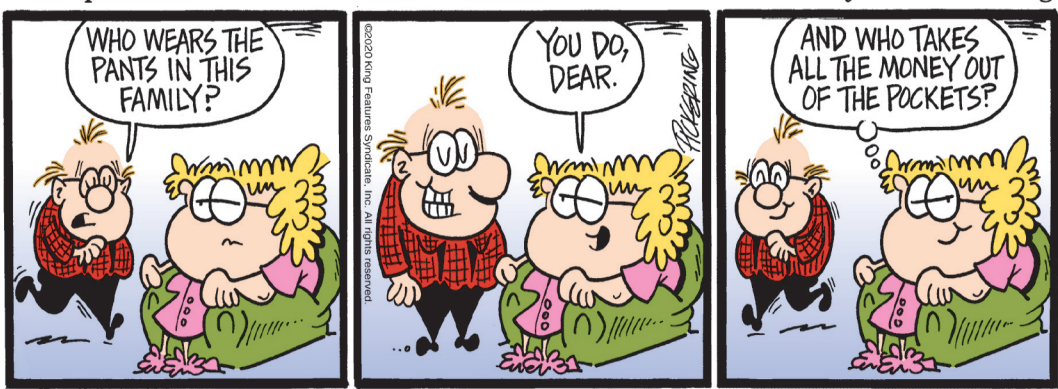
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- 6 Bamboo eaters
- 12 Big commotion
- 13 Old Roman tax
- 14 Strengthen by heating and cooling
- 15 Move a painting, maybe
- 16 Medicinal amount
- 17 Computer brand
- 19 Chaps
- 20 Nickelodeon's explorer
- 22 Marley or Dylan
- 24 Underwear with underwire
- 27 Madams' mates
- 29 Moth variety
- 32 "The House That Ruth Built"
- 35 Advantage
- 36 Out of play
- 37 List-ending abbr.
- 38 Consume
- 40 Williams or Warhol
- 42 — -de-sac
- 44 On pension: Abbr.

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- 46 Killer whale
- 50 "I, Robot" author
- 52 Passionate states
- 54 Cookbook entry
- 55 Lab monkey
- 56 Merchant
- 57 Apportioned
- 5 Not freelance
- 6 Skin opening
- 7 Bitter
- 8 To the — degree
- 9 Scotch-based liqueur
- 10 Top-rated
- 11 Autograph
- 12 Possessed
- 18 Parents' traveling accessory
- 21 Sugar suffix
- 23 Antiquated
- 24 "See ya"
- 25 "Awesome!"
- 26 Sweet fortified wine
- 28 Norm
- 30 Eccentric
- 31 HBO alternative
- 33 Mauna —
- 34 Toss in
- 39 Figure of speech
- 41 Mountain air?
- 42 Shopper's aid
- 43 Addict
- 45 Always
- 47 "Golden Girls" role
- 48 Gunk
- 49 Donkey
- 51 Central
- 53 Pi follower

DOWN

- 1 Stereo fore-runner
- 2 Billions of years
- 3 Haste
- 4 Miss. neighbor

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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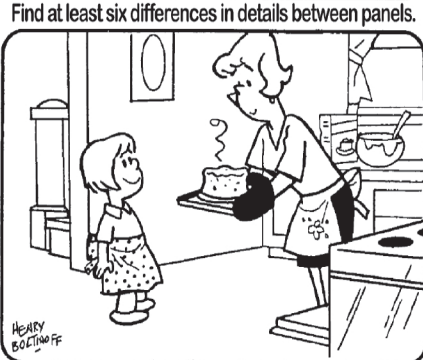
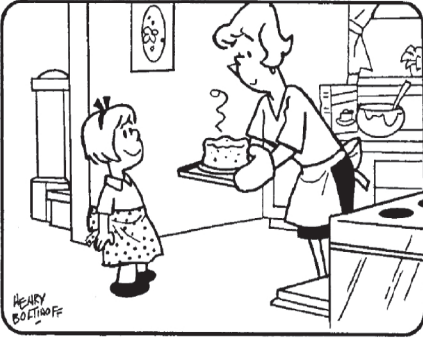
Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. HISTORY: Who was the first to sign the Declaration of Independence?
- 2. MOVIES: Which dwarf wore glasses in Disney's "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs"?
- 3. MEASUREMENTS: How many years are in a millennium?
- 4. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which stand-up comedian once said, "There are two seasons in Scotland: June and winter"?
- 5. GEOGRAPHY: Which country is home to Mount Kilimanjaro?
- 6. MEDICAL: What is the common condition known as "muscae volitantes"?
- 7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which university's athletic teams are known as the Ducks?
- 8. MUSIC: Which singer/songwriter is known as the "Man in Black"?
- 9. MONUMENTS: Which U.S. monument is known as the Mother of Exiles?
- 10. TELEVISION: What was the name of Norm's favorite restaurant in the "Cheers" sitcom?

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Plant is missing. 2. Apron is different. 3. Oven mitt is different. 4. Headband is missing. 5. Picture is different. 6. Girl's shoes are different.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Z equals P

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WOQR WAOLLUORV WMCV?
O NRUORQR OC IFR AOWFI IS DAG
NRDAV.

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WEIGHT

Today's Word

- 1. Gander; 2. Warden;
- 3. Sprite; 4. Shame;

SCRAMBLERS

solution

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I	O	R	A	L	R	E	T	R	E	D
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Solution time: 24 mins.

King Crossword

Answers

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Answers

Cryptoquip
Should people be permitted to give gruzzles guns?
I believe in the right to arm bears.

Devotional Page

Living by the Numbers

During my lifetime I have seen many major changes in this world. Some have been good, some not so good. We have gone from a place of people dealing with people to people being judged by and recognized by numbers.

Several years ago I could walk into my bank to seek a loan and I was judged on my character, reputation, and credit worthiness of that bank. I dealt with people that knew me and were my friends. Today it is so much different and difficult to obtain a loan because the same people that know me and continue to be my friends are dictated by corporate structures that want to know my credit worthiness given, through a number, from a credit bureau. Character and reputation doesn't seem to matter anymore. I don't blame the local bank or my friends for this; it is just the way our world has turned. You make one mistake and it could cost you for a long time.

During our lifetime all of us are going to have a social security number. During my

years in the United States Air Force I had an ID number. During my college days I was referred to by my ID number. It seems everything about you is controlled by a number and even though this is a much needed system in the world today for organization, people can lose their identity, credit worthiness, social standing, and can be completely ruined because someone that has hacked into the system and stolen their numbers.

We have no idea who has the opportunity of seeing how we live and control our lives due to these numbers and in the wrong hands our lives can be totally destroyed by the wrong people getting their eyes and hands on our identification numbers.

We are living in the time of numbers, however there will come a time when the number 666 is issued and none of us really want to be here when this number is being issued. Throughout the Bible we are warned about the beasts (antichrist and the Antichrist). In Daniel 7:1-8, 17-27, we are

told about the beasts and their idolatrous kingdoms. In 1 John 2:18, 2 John 1:7, several antichrists are mentioned and we need to be aware that we are in the last days before Jesus comes and takes

His people home. Anyone left after the rapture will be in the 1000 year reign of the Antichrist and will be forced to have the number 666 either on the right hand or their forehead. The Antichrist has been called the "man of lawlessness" or sin and is mentioned by the Apostle Paul in 2 Thessalonians 2:1-11.

Revelation 13:11-18 tells us what the end times will be like and I pray that none of us will be around to see it.

We are definitely in a world of numbers but we do not want any part of the number 666 because then eternity with Jesus is gone.

Prayer: Lord, thank you for the earth we live on today and for the laws we have to live by. I pray Lord that all of our leaders will turn to you for guidance and direction and listen to what you say. Amen.

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You are summoned to appear and defend, if desired, against said Amended Complaint at 9:00 a.m. on the 24th day of June, 2020, in the Chancery Courtroom of Harrison County, Mississippi, First Judicial District, 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501, and in case of your failure to appear and defend if desired, a Judgment may be entered for the things demanded in the Amended Complaint. You are not required to file an Answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 13th day of May, 2020 Honorable Timothy A. Kellar Chancery Court Clerk of Hancock County, MS (SEAL)

By: Cassie Tribble, D.C.
05/20/20, 05/27/20, 06/03/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EDWARD M. GROTKOWSKI, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:20-cv-00080-JS JAMES GROTKOWSKI, PETITIONER ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK Letters of Administration having been granted on the 12th day of May, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Edward M. Grotkowski, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred. THIS 20th day of May, 2020. s/JAMES GROTKOWSKI Return to: The Casano Law Firm, P.A. 4403 West Aloha Drive Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525 PUBLISH: 05/20/20, 05/27/20, 06/03/20

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on October 4, 2008, Jerry Aragon, a single man executed a certain deed of trust to Philip Tew, Trustee for the benefit of Hope Community Credit Union which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 2008 at Page 37266; and WHEREAS, Hope Federal Credit Union has heretofore substituted Shapiro & Brown, LLC as Trustee by instrument dated April 24, 2020 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2020 Page 10347; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Hope Federal Credit Union, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shapiro & Brown, LLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on June 17, 2020 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the front door of the County Courthouse at 152 Main St., Bay St. Louis, MS, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Lot 3, Square 237, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit No. 3, Hancock County, Mississippi. I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this 14th day of May, 2020. Shapiro & Brown, LLC SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE Shapiro & Brown, LLC 1080 River Oaks Drive, Suite B-202 Flowood, MS 39232 (601) 981-9299 7024 Tippah Street Bay St Louis, MS 39520 20-026156 Publication Dates: 05/27/20, 06/03/20, 06/10/20

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on March 24, 2014, Burton E. Lasater executed a certain deed of trust to Cecil D. McClellan, III, Trustee for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Loandepot.com, LLC, its successors and assigns which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 2014 at Page 5317; and WHEREAS, Specialized Loan Servicing LLC has heretofore substituted Shapiro & Brown, LLC as Trustee by instrument dated April 21, 2020 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2020 Page 10350; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Specialized Loan Servicing LLC, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with

attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shapiro & Brown, LLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on June 17, 2020 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the front door of the County Courthouse at 152 Main St., Bay St. Louis, MS, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY SITUATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO-WIT: LOT 52, BLOCK 8, UNIT 5, DIAMONDHEAD, PHASE 2, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, AT PAGE 37-40, INCLUSIVE, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI. I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this 14th day of May, 2020. Shapiro & Brown, LLC SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE Shapiro & Brown, LLC 1080 River Oaks Drive, Suite B-202 Flowood, MS 39232 (601) 981-9299 6940 Apuwai Pl Diamondhead, MS 39525 20-026237 Publication Dates: 05/27/20, 06/03/20, 06/10/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI DENNIS LEWIS PORCH, III and CHELSEA CO., LLC, a Mississippi company PLAINTIFFS VERSUS CAUSE NO.: 24CH1:20-cv-241-JP S. D. BURK and F. F. BURK and ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS DEFENDANTS SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: a) S. D. BURK, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of this state, whose present street and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry; or if dead, the unknown heirs-at-law or devisees of said defendant; b) F. F. BURK, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of this state, whose present street and post office addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry; or if dead, the unknown heirs-at-law or devisees of said defendant; and c) ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS having and/or claiming any legal and/or equitable interest in and to the following real property located in Hancock County, Mississippi: East 110.00 feet of Lots 20, 21, 22, and 23, Block 7, ANCHORAGE SUBDIVISION, Third Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat filed on October 1, 1898, and recorded in Volume W, Page 350, Deed Records of Hancock County, Mississippi. Being further identified as PARCEL NO. 162Q-1-10-097.002. You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by DENNIS LEWIS PORCH, III and CHELSEA CO., LLC, asserting legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to confirm Plaintiff's title thereto. You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Preston J. Mauffray, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose mailing address is P. O. Box 4272, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521, and whose street address is 519 Union Avenue, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND-ED IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 20th day of May, 2020. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Clerk Hancock County Chancery Court By: /s/ Larnell Scarbrough DEPUTY CLERK Preston J. Mauffray (MSB #101131) Attorney at Law, PLLC P.O. Box 4272 Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521 Telephone: (228) 216-6124 Facsimile: (866) 216-6124 PUBLISH: 05/27/20, 06/03/20, 06/10/20

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE WHEREAS, on April 3, 2005, Kevin E. Johnson executed a certain deed of trust to Kenneth J. Wleski, Trustee for the use and benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for Aegis Funding Corporation, which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi, in Book 2005, Page 14695; and WHEREAS, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Aegis Asset Backed Securities Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-5, the current holder and/or assignee, substituted Jauregui & Lindsey, LLC as Trustee by instrument recorded in the Chancery Clerk's Office on May 4, 2020 in Book 2020, Page 10152; and WHEREAS, Default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Aegis Asset Backed Securities Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-5, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on July 1, 2020 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the main front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to wit: Lots 1, 2 and 3, Bayside Park Subdivision, Block 221, Unit 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision, of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. I will convey only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. Jauregui & Lindsey, LLC Substituted Trustee Jauregui & Lindsey, LLC 244 Inverness Center Drive Suite 200 Birmingham, AL 35242 (205) 970-2233 Publication dates: 06/03/20, 06/10/20, 06/17/20, 06/24/20

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING REDEVELOPMENT PLAN DIAMONDHEAD, MISSISSIPPI, 2020 Notice is hereby given by the Governing Body of the City of Diamondhead that the Mayor, and City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 16th, 2020, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall in the Council Chambers, located at: 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, Mississippi on the matter of the "Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Plan, Diamondhead, Mississippi, 2020". The general scope of the Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Plan, Diamondhead, Mississippi, 2020, is outlined as follows: The Redevelopment Plan is to be implemented by the Mayor, and City Council. The techniques to be used to meet the objectives of the Redevelopment Plan include: (a) rehabilitation of structures; (b) acquisition of real

property within the Redevelopment Area; (c) demolition and removal of buildings; (d) construction of improvements on vacant or cleared lands; (e) redevelopment; (f) consolidation of title; (g) elimination of environmental deficiencies and blighting influences (including physical conditions, ownership patterns, and non-conforming land uses, which prevent or restrict development within the Redevelopment Area in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan); (h) construction of off-street parking facilities; and (i) encouragement of rehabilitation and redevelopment by private enterprise, including the making of loans from the proceeds of revenue bonds or notes to finance repair and rehabilitation of buildings or other improvements, acquisition of real property, demolition and removal of buildings and improvements, and construction of improvements in the Redevelopment Area in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan. The Redevelopment Plan includes restrictions with respect to land uses, maximum densities, building requirements, off-street parking, and loading or unloading space. A copy of the Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Plan, Diamondhead, Mississippi, 2020, is on file in the office of the City Clerk located at the City Hall Building, located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Mississippi and available for inspection and review by the general public. Jeannie Klein City Clerk 5000 Diamondhead Circle Diamondhead, MS 39525 05/27/20, 06/03/20, 06/10/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VITA CARNAGGIO CHENET, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:20-cv-00006-MA HENRY ENGLER CHENET, III and WAYNE ANTHONY CHENET PETITIONERS SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: The Unknown Heirs-at-Law of Vita Carnaggio Chenet, Deceased, whose names, places of residence, post office and street addresses are unknown to Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by Henry Engler Chenet, III and Wayne Anthony Chenet, Co-Executors of the Estate of Vita Carnaggio Chenet, Deceased, seeking to have the heirs-at-law of Vita Carnaggio Chenet adjudicated by the Court. You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition to Determine Heirs, for Authority to Distribute Assets, to Close the Estate, and to Discharge the Executors at 9:00 a.m. on July 6, 2020 in the Chancery Courtroom of the Honorable Margaret Alfonso located at 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment or order may be entered against you for the things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 22nd day of May, 2020. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chancery Court Clerk By: B. Ladner, D.C. Issued at the request of: MICHELLE LUBER ELLIOTT (MSB #104854) Brady Law Firm, PLLC 600 E. Railroad Street, Suite A Long Beach, Mississippi 39560 P. (228) 575-4474 / F. (228) 575-4472 05/27/20, 06/03/20, 06/10/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF COLLEEN MARTHA CULLEN, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:20-cv-167-CB SUMMONS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF COLLEEN MARTHA CULLEN, DECEASED You have been made a Defendant in this suit filed in this Court by JULIA ELLEN CULLEN, Administratrix of the Estate of COLLEEN MARTHA CULLEN, deceased, seeking judicial declaration of the heirs at law of COLLEEN MARTHA CULLEN, deceased. The Defendants other than you in this action are: None. That JULIA ELLEN CULLEN is alleged to be the sole Heir at Law of the decedent. You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on June 29, 2020, in the Chancery Courtroom at the Harrison County Courthouse, 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings but you may do so if you so desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the 22nd day of May, 2020. Timothy Cellar Chancery Clerk By: Tammy Meyer Deputy Clerk 152 Main Street, Ste. A Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 228-467-5406 Michael D. Haas, Jr. Haas and Haas Attorneys 201 N. Second Street Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 T: (228) 467-6574 MS Bar No. 5091 Publish: 05/27/20, 06/03/20, 06/10/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEVEN RAY FRICKE, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:20-cv-00137-MA SUMMONS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF STEVEN RAY FRICKE, DECEASED You have been made a Defendant in this suit filed in this Court by Kaden Ryan Fricke, Administrator of the Estate of STEVEN RAY FRICKE, deceased, seeking judicial declaration of the heirs at law of STEVEN RAY FRICKE, deceased. The Defendants other than you in this action are: None. That Kaden Ryan Fricke is alleged that he is the sole Heir at Law of Steven Ray Fricke. You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on June 29, 2020 in the Chancery Courtroom at the Harrison County Courthouse, 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition. That Kaden Ryan Fricke is alleged that he is the sole Heir at Law of Steven Ray Fricke. You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings but you may do so if you so desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the 22nd day of May, 2020. Timothy Kellar Chancery Clerk By: Tammy Meyer Deputy Clerk 152 Main Street, Ste. A Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 228-467-5406 Michael D. Haas, Jr. Haas and Haas Attorneys 201 N. Second Street Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 T: (228) 467-6574 MS Bar No. 5091 Publish: 05/27/20, 06/03/20, 06/10/20

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION 2020-UA-59 MOONSHOT SOLAR, LLC IN RE: PETITION OF MOONSHOT, SOLAR, LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION, OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF A SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI NOTICE Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of May 2020, Moonshot Solar, LLC filed with the Mississippi Public Service Commission the above referenced matter. Any person desiring to participate in or receive further notice of these proceedings is required under RP 6.121 of the Public Utility Rules of Practice and Procedure of Mississippi Public Service Commission and Public Utilities Staff to file a written petition to intervene on or before twenty (20) days from the publication date of this notice. This cause is returnable to the regular meeting of the Commission to be held at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, July 7, 2020, at the Mississippi Public Service Commission Hearing Room, 1st Floor, Woolfolk State Office Building, Jackson, Mississippi. If a hearing is required, the Commission, by subsequent order, will set a time and place for said hearing. This cause is subject to being set for disposition on a hearing date not less than twenty (20) days from the date of publication of this Notice. If protest, answer or other appropriate pleading is on file in response to this matter, the Commission will consider same on said hearing date. WITNESS MY HAND AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL of the Mississippi Public Service Commission, on this, the 26th day of May, 2020. Katherine Collier Executive Secretary (SEAL) 06/03/20

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK NOTICE OF SPECIAL COMMISSIONER'S SALE WHEREAS, Diana Mark executed and delivered a certain Promissory Note dated December 7, 2009, for One Hundred Thousand Seven and 00/100 Dollars (\$107,000.00) payable to First Bank and Trust; and WHEREAS, as security for said note, Diana Mark executed and delivered a Deed of Trust to William Lee Guice, III, as Trustee, with First Bank and Trust as Beneficiary, said Deed of Trust being filed on January 7, 2010, in Deed of Trust Book 2010, page 647 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land of Hancock County, Mississippi; and WHEREAS, the aforesaid Promissory Note was renewed and extended by a Change in Terms Agreement dated June 16, 2014, in the original principal balance of \$95,357.15; and WHEREAS, the aforesaid Change in Terms Agreement was secured by a Modification of Deed of Trust executed by Diana Mark on June 16, 2014, on certain lands owned by her in Hancock County, Mississippi. Said Modification of Deed of Trust was recorded in Record of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land of said County on June 30, 2014, in Book 2014, at Page 11039. Said Modification of Deed of Trust did name First Bank and Trust of Mississippi as Beneficiary. The Modification contained a scrivener's error in that it incorrectly references the original Deed of Trust as being entered into on July 1, 2009. The Modification should have referenced the correct date of December 7, 2009 and needed to be reformed to reflect same; and WHEREAS, on or about the 30th day of April, 2020, an Order was entered in FIRST BANK AND TRUST V. DIANA MARK, No. 23CH1:19-cv-00717-MA in the Chancery Court of Hancock County Mississippi, Honorable Margaret Alfonso, Chancellor, correcting the description of the real property subject to the Deed of Trust, and appointing Russell S. Manning as Special Commissioner for the purpose of conducting a judicial sale of the property, thereby foreclosing the lien of First Bank and Trust, on the property and authorized him to sell said property at public sale, on the steps of the Hancock County Courthouse, after posting notice of said sale in said Courthouse and advertising same in a newspaper of general circulation within said county; said Order having been filed in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust in the Land Records of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on May 20, 2020, in Book 2020, Page 5005. NOW THEREFORE, I, Russell S. Manning, Special Commissioner, as aforesaid, will on the 24th day of June, 2020, offer for sale and sell during the legal hours (between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the Main Door of the Hancock County Courthouse, located in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, together with the appurtenances and improvements thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Lot 69, Square 147, Bayside Park Subdivision, Unit 2, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. The above being the identical property described in the foregoing Modification of Deed of Trust as corrected by the afore-described Chancery Court Order. The title to the above property is believed to be good; however, I will convey only such title as is vested in me under the terms and conditions of the aforementioned Order and Deed of Trust. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the 26th day of May, 2020. /s/Russell S. Manning RUSSELL S. MANNING, Special Commissioner SALE: June 24, 2020 PUBLISH: 06/03/20, 06/10/20, 06/17/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN RE THE ESTATE OF: ESTHER MORRIS CLESI, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:20-cv-236-CB BY: CAROL CLESI PERAINO and DIANE CLESI GARCIA, Co-Executrices NOTICE TO CREDITORS Letters Testamentary having been issued by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 15th day of May, 2020, to the undersigned as Executrix of the Estate of Esther Morris Clesi, Deceased, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of Esther Morris Clesi, Deceased, to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same. THIS, the 21st day of May, 2020. /s/ Carol Clesi Peraino CAROL CLESI PERAINO, Co-Executrix /s/ Diane Clesi Garcia DIANE CLESI GARCIA, Co-Executrix Preston J. Mauffray (MSB #101131) Attorney at Law, PLLC P.O. Box 4272 Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521 Telephone: (228) 216-6124 Facsimile: (866) 216-6124 PUBLISH: 06/03/20, 06/10/20, 06/17/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI



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ELAINE JOAN BRENNAN McCLAIN, Deceased
CAUSE NO. 23CHI:16-cv-814-MA
BY: SUSAN ELIZABETH McCLAIN, Executrix
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been issued by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 20th day of January, 2017, to the undersigned as Executrix of the Estate of ELAINE JOAN BRENNAN McCLAIN, Deceased, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of ELAINE JOAN BRENNAN McCLAIN, Deceased, to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same.
THIS, the 12th day of February, 2020.
/s/ Susan Elizabeth McClain
SUSAN ELIZABETH McCLAIN, Executrix
Preston J. Mauffray (MSB #101131)
Attorney at Law, PLLC
P.O. Box 4272
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAMERON WEBB KUNTZMAN, DECEASED
CAUSE NO: 23CHI:20-cv-00213-MA
RACHEL SCHMITT, PETITIONER
EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 27th day of May, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Cameron Webb Kuntzman, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
THIS 3rd day of June, 2020.
/s/ RACHEL SCHMITT
Return to:
The Casano Law Firm, P.A.
4403 West Aloha Drive
Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525
Tel: 228-255-0035
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PUBLISH: 06/03/20, 06/10/20, 06/17/20

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
NOTICED IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAVELAND ON MONDAY, THE 22ND OF JUNE, 2020 6:00 P.M. AT WAVELAND CITY HALL LOCATED AT 301 COLEMAN AVENUE, WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI, TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:
THIS IS ALSO NOTIFICATION THAT THE PLANING AND ZONING COMMISSION IS A RECOMMENDING COMMISSION ONLY, THE WAVELAND BOARD OF ALDERMAN WILL CONSIDER FINAL APPROVAL OF THE REQUESTED APPLICATIONS ON TUESDAY, JULY 7TH, 2020 AT 6:30 PM AT WAVELAND CITY HALL LOCATED AT 301 COLEMAN AVENUE. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:
Brian Corr, owner of the property commonly known as 815 Villere Street, Parcel # 161G-0-03-280.000; Legal Description: Lot 19, Block 8, Green Acres Subdivision; is requesting a Conditional Use as provided for in Section 302.16 and Section 906.3 of the current Zoning Ordinance. An accessory structure over five-hundred (500) square feet is considered a Conditional Use in R-1 Single Family Zoning. The purpose of the Conditional Use request is to build a nine-hundred (900) square foot Accessory Structure.
Shane Bernard, owner of the property commonly known as 119 Market Street; Legal Description: Lot 100C, Parcel 108, Third Ward, Waveland, Mississippi, is requesting variances from Section 701.3 - Minimum Front Yard - Twenty-five (25) foot, Section, Section 702.4 - Minimum Side Yard - Fifteen (15) feet and Section 701.5 Minimum Rear Yard - Twenty-five (25) feet. The applicant is requesting a five (5) foot variance from the front yard requirement resulting in a twenty (20) foot front yard. The applicant is requesting a two and a half foot variance from each side yard resulting in a ten (10) foot both side yards and five (5) foot variance from the Rear Yard requirement resulting in a twenty (20) foot rear yard.
INTERESTED PARTIES MAY AND HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD.
For additional information, phone (228) 466-2549, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Publish June 3rd, 2020. David Draz - Zoning Official 06/03/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
CAUSE NO.: 23CHI:20-CV-248JS
GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; LINDA MILLER GREER; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LINDA MILLER GREER; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JOEL SMITH, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH WAS SOLD FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2017 VIZ: LOTS 5-9 BK 43 BSL LAND & IMP CO SEC 35 TWP 08 RANGE 14W PARCEL #: 137L-0-35-103.000 DIST: 1050 CITY: 1 SCHOOL: 1 PPIN: 000010771 DEFENDANTS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; LINDA MILLER GREER; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LINDA MILLER GREER; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JOEL SMITH, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH WAS SOLD FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2017 VIZ: LOTS 5-9 BK 43 BSL LAND & IMP CO SEC 35 TWP 08 RANGE 14W PARCEL #: 137L-0-35-103.000 DIST: 1050 CITY: 1 SCHOOL: 1 PPIN: 000010771 NOTICE
This is a suit by AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC, to quiet and confirm title in themselves to that certain property legally described as:
LOTS 5-9 BK 43 BSL LAND & IMP CO SEC 35 TWP 08 RANGE 14W PARCEL #: 137L-0-35-103.000 DIST: 1050 CITY: 1 SCHOOL: 1 PPIN: 000010771
The above being property acquired by GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; by virtue of two separate deeds the first being for Lots 5-7 via that certain Quitclaim Deed granted by Frank T. Miller, III, Rachel Lynn Torres, and Adam F. Creech dated March 12, 2012 and recorded on March 27, 2012 in Book 2012 at Page 3097 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. She obtained Lots 8-11 via that certain Quitclaim Deed dated July 26, 1982 and filed on July 27, 1982 and recorded in Book AA61 at Page 132 in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk. Plaintiff, American Pride Properties, LLC, obtained its interest in the subject property by virtue of a Quitclaim Deed and Assignment granted by MS TL, LLC, dated December 4, 2019 and recorded on Decem-

ber 23, 2019 in Deed Book 2019 at Page 15304 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. MS TL, LLC, being the highest and best bidder at the tax sale dated August 31, 2017 for the 2016 Hancock County, Mississippi ad valorem taxes which were not redeemed, and was granted a Chancery Clerk's Conveyance for the subject property on October 7, 2019, recorded in Deed Book 2019 at Page 12398 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in the real property or personal property contained therein, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title and For Other Relief to the attorney for the Plaintiffs, Lewie G. Negrotto IV, Esq., whose physical address is 133 Davis Avenue, Suite L, Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 3RD DAY OF JUNE 2020, WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT
You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. The address of the Clerk of this Court is 152 Main Street Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520 (SEAL)
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CHANCERY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
By: Tammy Meyer, DC
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DATED: 5/26/20
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH LORETTA MOONEY, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. C2301-2020-118(1)
JEAN DEREK MOONEY
PETITIONER
SUMMONS
RULE 81 SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
TO: The KNOWN and UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF SARAH LORETTA MOONEY, Deceased, whose present residence and address is unknown. You have been made a Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by JEAN DEREK MOONEY, Administrator.
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.
You are summoned to appear and defendant against said Complaint or Petition at 9:00 a.m. ON THE 1st DAY OF JULY, 2020, in the Courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse at Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Complaint or Petition.
You are not required to file an Answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 28 day of May 2020.
(SEAL)
TIM KELLAR, CHANCERY COURT CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BY: /s/ Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
Publication Dates: 06/03/20, 06/10/20, 06/17/20

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
YOUTH COURT DIVISION
HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES, BY MARCUS D. DAVENPORT AND HUNTER ALAN SPILLMAN, A MINOR, BY AND THROUGH HIS NEXT FRIEND, MARCUS D. DAVENPORT
PETITIONERS
VS.
CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. CC19-0026T
SHANNON MARIE LEECH AND CHRISTOPHER ALAN SPILLMAN
RESPONDENTS
COUNTY COURT SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: Christopher Alan Spillman, whose last known address is 266 Fairway Drive, Winter Haven, FL 33881 and who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.
You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Child Protection Services, by Marcus D. Davenport, Deputy Director or Child Protection Services, and H.A.S., a minor, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minor and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minor be placed with the Hancock County Department of Child Protection Services. There are no other Respondent other than you in this action.
YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:00 A.M. ON THE 10TH DAY OF JULY, 2020 IN THE COURTROOM OF THE COUNTY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 29st day of May, 2020.
BY: Valerie L. Ladner, D.C.
KENDRA NECAISE, COUNTY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
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06/03/20, 06/10/20, 06/17/20

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Executrix's Notice to Creditors of CYNTHIA ANNE LIZANA, CAUSE NO. 19-cv-371-CB
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 13th day of March, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of CYNTHIA ANNE LIZANA, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within 90 days from the date of first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.
This the 14th Day of May, 2020.
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BY: Johnson Law Practice, PLLC
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deau, Commander of the Eighth Coast Guard District. “We highly recommend that you have a survival kit with items like batteries, flash lights, radios and water. It’s also critical to pay close attention to weather both ashore and out at sea, and heed the messages and evacuation orders if issued by state and local authorities.”

The Coast Guard recommends you keep the following things in mind for this hurricane season:

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and city council.”

DeSalvo said in the release that one of the reasons he sought office was to “bring amenities to Ward 6.”

“My ward offers some of the best and most beautiful waterways along the entire Gulf Coast, however, public access to these waterways is currently limited,” DeSalvo said. “When I learned the details of GOMESA funding, I knew a Bayou LaCroix boat lunch was the perfect use of the funds and the cave was the location we needed to secure. I am excited to bring this boat launch to the city.”

Favre said in the release that he appreciates the support this project received from the council; former Gov. Phil Bryant, Gov. Tate Reeves; and the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources.

According to the release, GOMESA funds are generated by oil and gas leasing revenues on the Outer Continental Shelf. Only the four oil and gas producing states — Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas — are eligible to receive GOMESA funding. The

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and “it’s my favorite thing.”

“I feel like it would be good for me to branch out,” she said. “Usually I like to write fiction. I’ve never really done a lot of non-fiction.”

The Echo’s junior reporters are responsible for pitching story ideas, and submitting stories and photographs for publication in the newspaper as well as the Sea Coast Echo website.

Katie said she hopes to gain a better understanding on non-fiction writing as well as learning how the newspaper is designed from start to finish.

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes submissions from our younger readers and anyone interested can contact Cassandra Favre at cassandra@sea-coastecho.com or 228-467-5473.

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funds may only be sued to support coastal conservation and restoration projects, hurricane pro-

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plans. In Mississippi, the funds are administered by the Department of Marine Resources.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hancock County School District Office of Special Education will be shredding student files for students who graduated in May of 2015 or moved out of the school district during the 2014/2015 school year. Anyone who wants their records can contact the Special Education Office @228-466-6340 and make an appointment to pick them up BY Thursday June 4, 2020 between the hours of 8AM - 3:00PM.

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ing. “One is the public health crisis that we have been up here every day to talk about. That threat is real, dangerous, and deadly. It is here, and we must face it. We also face an economic crisis in this country, the likes of which we have not seen since the Great Depression. While we have never seen a spike of serious cases in Mississippi, we have seen economic catastrophe. We have to address both.”

The social distancing guidelines outline in the “Safe Return” order include:

- For Mississippians:
- All those in the vulnerable population are instructed to continue sheltering in place to protect their health.
 - This includes all elderly individuals (age 65 or older per CDC guidelines) and individuals with serious underlying health conditions, including high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, obesity, asthma, and those whose immune systems are compromised as such by chemotherapy for cancer or any other condition requiring such therapy.
 - For large group gatherings when social distancing is not possible, groups are limited to 20 people or less indoors and 50 people or less outdoors.
 - For large groups gatherings when social distancing is possible, groups are limited to 50 people or less indoors and 100 people or less outdoors.
 - All travel may resume, while minimizing non-essential business travel when possible.

- For businesses:
- All businesses and non-profits in Mississippi are allowed to open, following CDC and Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) guidance to limit transmission.
 - Businesses and non-profits are encouraged to continue allowing employees to work from home or telework.
 - Retail businesses should continue to implement reasonable measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19, including limiting the number of customers in their stores at one time to no greater than 50% of their store capacity and making hand sanitizer available to customers upon entry.
 - Restaurants and bars must continue to follow in-house dining guidelines set in Executive Orders 1478 and 1486. Bars that do not serve food are allowed to reopen, following those same guidelines.
 - Restaurants and bars are now allowed to have live music performances, with customers and musicians maintaining at least a 12-foot distance.
 - Salons, barbershops, gyms, tattoo parlors, and other personal care facilities must continue to follow guidelines set in Executive Orders 1480 and 1486.

- For public and private buildings:
- Public school buildings are allowed to reopen to the public to offer in-person classroom learning, such as summer school programs and special education evaluations.

- Private schools and institutions of higher learning are allowed to reopen their buildings and campuses to the public.
- Reception halls and conference centers are allowed to reopen, limiting to no more than 25% of seating capacity, only holding seated events, and rearranging tables to ensure a 6-foot distance between tables. Any food services must follow the restaurant guidelines under Executive Order 1478.

- For healthcare professionals:
- Healthcare professionals and facilities may continue performing elective medical and dental procedures and surgeries as allowed and approved by MSDH. Such non-emergent procedures and surgeries should limit their use of disposable PPE and not request PPE from any public source.
 - All patients should be screened for recent illness, travel, fever, or recent exposure to COVID-19. Healthcare professionals and facilities should begin testing all patients prior to procedures or surgeries, if possible.
 - No visitors are allowed in the healthcare facility, except for one spouse or caregiver who lives with the patient and only as they are being admitted or discharged.
 - For the safety of residents, patients, and staff, visits to hospitals and nursing homes remain prohibited except to visit those receiving imminent end-of-life care, to visit maternity patients, or as otherwise allowed by that healthcare facility.

- For outdoor recreation:
- People should follow social distancing and maintain a 6-foot distance from others.
 - Executive Order 1473 is amended to allow beaches and sandbars in the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District (PRVWSD) to open, following PRVWSD’s regulations. Beaches and sandbars at state lakes remain closed.
 - Recreational boating and fishing and fishing tournaments must continue to follow guidelines set in Executive Orders 1473 and 1486.
 - School weight rooms and training facilities must continue to follow guidelines set in Executive Order 1480.
 - Outdoor recreational facilities must continue to follow guidelines set in Executive Order 1487.

For Indoor Recreational Facilities:

- For businesses:
- Indoor places of amusement, including bowling alleys and playgrounds, are allowed to reopen.
 - Before they can reopen, indoor places of amusement must be deep-cleaned, disinfected, and sanitized top to bottom. After opening, facilities must be deep-cleaned daily.
 - Indoor places of amusement are expected to take every step necessary to comply with the regulations, orders, and guidance from MSDH and CDC to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
 - Signage must be posted at each entrance stating no customer with a fever or COVID-19 symptoms are allowed in.

- No more than 50% of maximum capacity is allowed.
- Hand sanitizer must be placed at all entrances and throughout the facility.
- All equipment, machines, and games must be rearranged to ensure at least 6 feet between customers.
- Items and equipment used by customers, like bowling balls and trampolines, must be sanitized and disinfected after each use.
- All high-touch areas must be sanitized at least once every two hours.
- Group gatherings, such as birthday parties, are limited to 20 people max.

- For employees:
- All employees will be screened daily at the beginning of their shifts, including asking whether they have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and have they had a fever in the last 48 hours.
 - Face coverings must be provided to all employees who come in direct contact with customers. Employees are required to wear that face covering throughout their shift and clean or replace daily.
 - All employees must be provided training on how to limit the spread of COVID-19.

- For customers:
- Customers will be screened upon entry.

Reeves also issued Executive Order 1491 while outlines guidelines for the reopening of ballparks, movie theaters, libraries, and museums. This order also goes into effect on Monday, June 1 at 8 a.m.

The guidelines include:

Youth Sports:

- Team practices:
- Before practices can resume, league organizers or coaches must provide a copy of Executive Order 1491 to all players and their parents or guardians.
 - Each player must be screened by a coach before entering the field for practice, including asking whether they have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and have they had a fever in the last 48 hours.
 - Players and their parents or guardians must report any COVID-19 symptoms to a coach. Any player that exhibits symptoms will be sent home immediately.
 - Park personnel, volunteers, and coaches should ensure social distancing is maintained between players as much as possible.
 - Players and coaches must sanitize their hands before entering the field and after practice.
 - Dugouts are closed during practice. Players’ bags and equipment must be spaced 6 feet apart.
 - Parents and guardians must remain in their cars during practice.
 - Players should use their own equipment. Shared equipment must be sanitized by a coach before and after each practice.
 - Players must bring their own drinks and snacks. No shared drinking fountains, coolers, or snacks are allowed.

- Team games—for leagues and coaches:
- Before organized games can resume, tour-

- nament or league organizers or coaches must provide a copy of Executive Order 1491 to all teams, each player, and each parent or guardian.
- No more than 100 people are allowed at the games, including players, coaches, and fans.
 - Coaches should ensure social distancing is maintained between players as much as possible.
 - Dugouts may be used during the game with players following social distancing. Teams must sanitize the dugouts after the game.
 - Players and coaches must sanitize their hands before entering the field and after each game.
 - To ensure social distancing, coaches and tournament organizers are encouraged to implement ways other than handshakes and high fives to show good sportsmanship following a game.
 - Signs must be posted at each entrance mandating 6-foot separation between fans from different households.

- Team games—for players:
- Each player must be screened by a coach before entering the field, including asking whether they have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and have they had a fever in the last 48 hours.
 - Players and their parents or guardians must report any COVID-19 symptoms to a coach. Any player that exhibits symptoms will be sent home immediately.
 - Players and coaches must sanitize their hands before entering the field and after each game.
 - Players should use their own equipment. Shared equipment must be sanitized by a coach before and after each game.
 - Players must bring their own drinks and snacks. No shared drinking fountains, coolers, or snacks are allowed. Concessions stands remain closed.

- Team games—for fans:
- Fan and players must leave the field immediately after the game and return to their cars. Fans for following games must remain in their cars until teams and fans from the previous game have left.
 - Fans are encouraged to wear face coverings, such as a cloth mask, while at the game.
 - Fans must bring their own chairs. Bleachers are closed to fans.
 - Fan attendance is limited to two household members per player.

Movie Theaters:

- For businesses:
- Before they can reopen, theaters must be deep-cleaned, disinfected, and sanitized top to bottom. After opening, theater auditoriums must be cleaned and disinfected between shows.
 - All theaters are expected to take every step necessary to comply with the regulations, orders, and guidance from MSDH and CDC to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
 - Theaters must ensure that the ventilation system is working properly.
 - Minimizing person-to-person contact through technology, like mobile or online ticket sales and contact-less payment, is encouraged.

- Signage must be posted at each entrance stating no customer with a fever or COVID-19 symptoms are allowed in.
- Showtimes must be staggered to allow ample time for staff to clean and disinfect between shows and prevent customers from congregating in lobbies.
- Ticket sales are limited to 50% of seating capacity.
- Social distancing in waiting lines must be followed.
- All high-touch areas must be sanitized at least once every two hours.
- Hand sanitizer must be placed at all entrances and in concession areas.
- Theaters are encouraged to develop new procedures for concessions to minimize person-to-person contact, such as grab-n-go and single use utensils.

- For employees:
- All employees will be screened daily at the beginning of their shifts, including asking whether they have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and have they had a fever in the last 48 hours.
 - All employees must be provided training on how to limit the spread of COVID-19.
 - Face coverings must be provided to all employees who come in direct contact with customers. Employees are required to wear that face covering throughout their shift and clean or replace daily.

- For customers:
- Customers are encouraged to wear a face covering, such as a cloth mask, while inside.

Libraries and Museums:

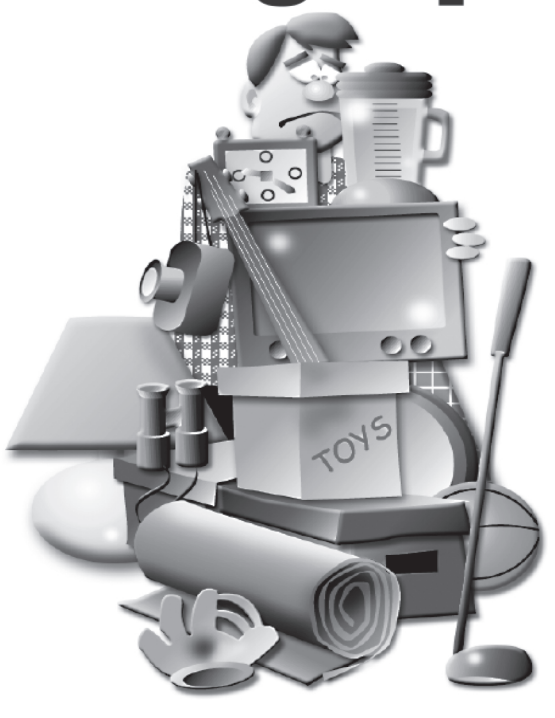
- For facilities:
- Before they can reopen, facilities must be deep-cleaned, disinfected, and sanitized top to bottom.
 - All libraries and mu-

- seums are expected to take every step necessary to comply with the regulations, orders, and guidance from MSDH and CDC to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- No more than 50% of maximum capacity.
 - Social distancing must be followed through the facility.
 - Tables must be rearranged to ensure at least 6 feet between tables. Seating at each table is limited to 6 people.
 - All high-touch areas must be sanitized at least once every two hours.
 - Hand sanitizer must be placed at all entrances and in concession areas.
 - Group tours and activities are limited to 20 people max.
 - Museum cafes are allowed to resume, following in-house dining guidelines in Executive Order 1478.

- For employees:
- All employees will be screened daily at the beginning of their shifts, including asking whether they have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and have they had a fever in the last 48 hours.
 - All employees must be provided training on how to limit the spread of COVID-19.
 - Face coverings must be provided to all employees who come in direct contact with customers. Employees are encouraged to wear face shields while tattooing a customer.
 - Minimizing person-to-person contact through technology, like mobile or online ticket sales and contact-less payment, is encouraged.
 - Signage must be posted at each entrance stating no customer with a fever or COVID-19 symptoms are allowed in.

- For customers:
- Customers are encouraged to wear a face covering, such as a cloth mask, while inside.

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Pearl River Community College plans to welcome students back this fall with plenty of options

SEA COAST ECHO

Pearl River Community College is planning to resume on-campus classes at its Poplarville, Hattiesburg and Waveland locations this fall with the semester set to begin Aug. 17.

“Everyday we realize we are a step closer to welcoming our students back and that’s exciting,” Pearl River President Dr. Adam Breerwood said. “Our offices have remained open and people have been working from home to continue to be accessible to our students.”

PRCC is continuously monitoring the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and considering all guidance from public health officials as it moves forward with policies for the fall. The health and security of all members of the Wildcat Family remains Pearl River’s top priority.

“Meetings are taking place daily to assist in our reopening and we are taking all measures necessary to ensure a safe return,” Breerwood said. “Our students are the reason that we come to work everyday and when we don’t get a chance to see their faces and hear that buzz of an active campus daily, we realize we don’t ever need to take things for granted.”

PRCC’s administration is working on outlining protocols that will be released closer to the start of the fall semester. As data changes daily, Pearl River is analyzing all new information to be as prepared as possible.

ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES

If PRCC students find themselves unsure about returning to campus for coursework this fall, they will be reassured by a wide range of online class offerings at their disposal. Opportunities for seamless online semesters are a part of Pearl River’s commitment to meeting students where they are.

Students can earn their degrees by enrolling in online coursework and connecting through their tablet, mobile device or computer. Academic, career and technical online classes provide a clear path towards graduation.

Students have access to a quality education that is convenient through 15-week, 8-week and 4-week online courses.

“We always talk about remaining accessible to our students and I think that this pandemic has proven to all of us how important that is now more than ever,” Breerwood said. “Education must go on despite any challenges we may face. We are stronger because of it.”

With a new fully online student orientation process underway for the summer, new Wildcats can expect a one-on-one advisement session from the comfort of their own couch.

“We are excited to be able to offer ROAR virtually this year,” Pearl River Orientation Coordinator Emily Sheckells said. “The most important part of ROAR is getting a chance to show each student that they will have the best support system here with many people who will take time to listen to them and help them. We are

still able to do just that with our virtual ROAR session and maybe even more so with one-on-one advising.”

Additional details for the fall semester will be posted to prcc.edu/coronavirus as they become available.

HOW TO REGISTER

Returning students wishing to start the registration process for the upcoming semester should click the “Find My Advisor” button in RiverGuide. New Wildcats can begin their journey to graduation by applying at prcc.edu/admissions

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2019 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
Standard Dedeaux Water Association
PWS#: MS 0230063
May 2020

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Kenny Hoda, Board President at 228.255.6800. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. Please attend meeting scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM at 24084 Standard Dedeaux Road, Kiln, MS 39556.

Our water source is from wells drawing from the Graham Ferry Formation Aquifer. The source water assessment has been completed for our public water system to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water supply to identify potential sources of contamination. A report containing detailed information on how the susceptibility determinations were made has been furnished to our public water system and is available for viewing upon request. The wells for the Standard Dedeaux Water Association have received lower susceptibility rankings to contamination.

We routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2019. In cases where monitoring wasn't required in 2019, the table reflects the most recent results. As water travels over the surface of land or underground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive materials and can pick up substances or contaminants from the presence of animals or from human activity; microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations and septic systems; radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The "Goal"(MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary to control microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) – The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk of health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

TEST RESULTS								
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants								
10. Barium	N	2018*	.0095	.0085 - .0095	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2016/18*	.1	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
16. Fluoride	N	2018*	.184	.134 - .184	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
17. Lead	N	2016/18*	1	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products								
81. HAA5	N	2018*	8	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-Product of drinking water disinfection.
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2018*	17.71	No Range	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Chlorine	N	2019	1.9	.62 – 3.81	mg/l	0	MRDL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes
Unregulated Contaminants								
Sodium	N	2019	65000	48000 - 65000	PPB	NONE	NONE	Road Salt, Water Treatment Chemicals, Water Softeners and Sewage Effluents.

** Most recent sample. No sample required for 2019.*

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a monthly basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. In an effort to ensure systems complete all monitoring requirements, MSDH now notifies systems of any missing samples prior to the end of the compliance period.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Our water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>. The Mississippi State Department of Health Public Health Laboratory offers lead testing. Please contact 601.576.7582 if you wish to have your water tested.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1.800.426.4791.

The Standard Dedeaux Water Association works around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

D’head Presbyterian Church honors Rev. Chas Jones

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On Saturday, May 9, many Diamondhead PCUSA Faithful gathered at the parking lot across from the Community Center to send off Reverend Chas and Elaine Jones as they are moving to Virginia. We had approximately 20 vehicles in the caravan. We all caravanned to the Jones’ home with horns blaring as we all said goodbye

to two wonderful servants of Christ. A team of members went ahead of the car line to make a presentation of a framed letter from the Presbytery of Mississippi recognizing Reverend Jones as Honorably Retired Pastor Emeritus. Excitement and sadness abound as we said our goodbyes at a distance. We are thankful to Reverend Chas and Elaine for their pastor-



Rev. Chas Jones

ing, friendship, and love for seeing Diamondhead Presbyterian Church,

PCUSA move forward in this community sharing the Word of God to all. Due to COVID 19 Restrictions of Social Distancing, our worship area at the Community Center doesn’t allow spacing for social distancing. Beginning Sunday, June 7th at 9:30AM we will be holding Worship Services at the Twin Lakes Pavilion until further notice. All are welcome!

Local graduates medical school



Dr. John R. Santa Cruz, Jr. MD recently graduated from the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX. He attended high-school at St. Stanislaus College, then completed his pre-med degree at Texas Christian University (TCU) in Ft. Worth, TX, graduating Suma Cum Laude. John will enter into his 6 year Interventional Radiology residency at the Baylor College of Medicine in June. John is the son of Randy and Charlotte Santa Cruz and grandson of Woody and Grace Santa Cruz of Bay St. Louis.

Diamondhead Student Receives Highest Academic Award at Ole Miss

SEA COAST ECHO

University of Mississippi Senior Henry Clay Taylor of Diamondhead, Mississippi, was among more than 70 Ole Miss students to receive a 2020 Marcus Elvis Taylor Memorial Medal, the university’s highest academic award. Taylor is a Managerial Finance major in the School of Business. After graduation, Mr. Taylor plans to pursue a career in investment banking and later private equity in the energy and power sectors. Taylor’s parents are David Tay-

lor from Perkinston, Mississippi and Renata Storonskyj from Diamondhead, Mississippi. The Taylor Medals were established at UM in 1904 by Dr. William A. Taylor of Booneville in memory of his son, an honored 1871 alumnus of the university. The award recognizes no more than 1 percent of the student body each year. The University of Mississippi, affectionately known as Ole Miss, is the state’s flagship university. Included in the elite group of R1: Doctoral Universities - Highest Research Activity by the Carnegie

Classification, it has a long history of producing leaders in public service, academics and business. With more than 23,000 students, Ole Miss is the state’s largest university and is ranked among the nation’s fastest-growing institutions. Its 16 academic divisions include a major medical school, nationally recognized schools of accountancy, law and pharmacy, and an Honors College acclaimed for a blend of academic rigor, experiential learning and opportunities for community action.

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Class of 2020: Resilience is the core trait on this team



The Bay High Steppers pose with their small varsitt hip-hop state title trophy in December 2019.



The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws hoist the Class 4A state championship soccer trophy on February 8th after a 4-1 victory over Newton County. It is the program's 10th title since 1996.

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

With the close of the academic calendar year of 2019-20, we turn the page on the Class of 2020. That number is usually reserved for perfect vision at the eye doctor, but, perhaps, it just might be the statistical denomination of resilience.

One of the greatest sports movies of all-time is ROCKY BALBOA. In the film, Rocky Balboa describes resilience perfectly when he tells his son, "It ain't about how hard ya hit. It's about how hard you can get hit and keep moving forward. How much you can take and keep moving forward. That's how winning is done!"

This school year was not a typical year by any stretch of the imagination; however, many teams overcame a tremendous amount of obstacles. In fact, the Class of 2020 has cleared hurdle after hurdle that has been placed in their path. And, there seems to be no slowing down for them.

This class was born in the aftermath of 9-11 when the United States was introduced as the newest country to suffer from international terrorism. It put the country on high alert which is still being experienced today nationwide.

In 2005, Hurricane Katrina roared ashore leaving destruction in its wake when this class was in a very crucial learning stage.

Then, in 2008, a seismic recession took hold of the country due a burst in the real estate bubble that was of humanity's own doing.

When this region was beginning the uphill climb out of the recession and still repairing Katrina's damage, the BP oil spill decimated the region's biggest industry - seafood.

Most recently, the shutdown of the world from COVID-19 took its shot at this group of young people.

Each and every time this class proved their resilience and cleared the obstacle. The Class of 2020 had a terrific start to the academic year that is supposed to be their launching pad to their life.

In August, the sports of volleyball, football, cross country and swimming got underway.

On the court, Bay High, Hancock, and Our Lady Academy all advanced to the post-season with Hancock and OLA winning division titles.

Hancock was breaking in first-year head coach Lynsie Gayden and advanced to the second round of the Class IV state playoffs. They ended the year with a 21-

15 record.

Bay High advanced to the Final Four before bowing out of the Class II state playoffs.

OLA, on the other hand, was just as consistent as the changing of seasons. The Crescents ripped off another 30-win season going 37-5 overall. They won their 20th consecutive division title and entered the state playoffs in cruise control.

The Crescents sent veteran coach Mike Meyers into the sunset with the school's 14th state title in the sport, including the last eight in a row.

The Crescents were led by the program's first-ever Division I signee in Rebecca Walk, a

6'2" middle blocker/hitter who inked with South Alabama after leading the nation in kills and hitting percentage.

In cross country, Bay High entered the sport for the first time. SSC won their division and Keegan Leverett was the overall individual Class 4A state champion as SSC finished third overall.

The Pass Christian Pirates finished seventh while the Lady Pirates won the division title and placed third in Class 4A. The Crescents took fifth in Class 3A.

In the pool, OLA took third overall in Class I while Pass Christian and SSC placed seventh and eighth, respectively, in Class I.

On the gridiron, Pass Christian had their best season in history with a division runner-up finish and won their first playoff game in program history. The Rocks also advanced to the state playoffs for the 16th time since 2000.

The Pirates were led by dual-threat QB Dustin Allison and ATH Andrew Moffett while the Rocks were paced by QB Max Favre, WR Dallas Payne

and TE Lee Negrotto. Favre and Payne signed with Northeast Mississippi CC while Negrotto is headed to Nicholls State.

Bay High had a resurgence in 2019 ripping off their first winning season since 2012 while Hancock featured the area's other Division I signee

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The OLA Crescents gather following their unprecedented eighth consecutive, 14th overall, Class I state volleyball championship in October 2019. The Crescents were paced by All-American and South Alabama signee Rebecca Walk.



The Bay High Lady Tigers volleyball team advanced to the Class II state semi-finals in October 2019.

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Welcome Matt!

I had a very unexpected fishing partner a while back. The fishing has been a little off, on some of our near-shore spots. I didn't have a trip, and the weather looked fairly decent. The warm weather had brought in some fog, but I already decided I wasn't going far. On my way to the launch, Capt Matt texted me, asking if I was going fishing. When I replied Yes, he immediately responded, "come pick me up". He knew we needed to find some more fish for our upcoming trips too.

While I was waiting for him, I picked up a small redfish, a big sheepshead and a huge black drum. Things were looking up.

We hit a few of our regular spots, and surprisingly, I was out fish-



Shore Thing Fishing Report By Cpt. Sonny Schindler

ing the "Mighty Matt".

We both agreed to try some new areas. All of the areas we fished in the Bay looked good, but only a few held fish. Capt Matt is deadly with a spinner bait, and he quickly took the lead on the redfish.

I've been friends with Matt since the early 1980's. We've been

fishing together with our company since 2006. You would think we hang out all the time, but that is seldom the case. Our boats, families, phones, and emails take up almost all of our free time. These rare occasions when we get to fish together, are a real pleasure. We get to share what's new with our families, fishing stuff, and General childish gossip. There were plenty of times were we shut out yappers, and just fished.

I truly enjoy "catching up" with one of my oldest friends.

So I hope all of you get a day like this one, spending time with those good friends in your life. Sometimes you just gotta make time.

As always, have fun and be safe



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in OL Christian Sapp who signed with South Alabama.

As the fall sports came to a close, the winter sports of dancing, soccer, bowling, and basketball took precedence.

On the dance floor, the Bay High Steppers clawed their way to the small varsity hip-hop state title.

On the soccer fields, the gold ball found its way back to the area. The Rock-a-chaws hoisted the trophy for the tenth time since 1996 going 19-6-1. The Ti-

Mississippi high school history.

On the court, the area was treated to seven playoff appearances. The Tigers won the division title and advanced to the second round of the state playoffs as did Pass Christian. Both Hancock and St. Stanislaus made the post-season. On the girls side, Bay High, Hancock, and Pass Christian all exited after a first-round loss.

Just as the spring sports of baseball, golf, tennis, and track and field started to gain momentum, the country was upended by COVID-19. The world of athletics, same an everyday America, came to a screeching

halt on Friday, March 13th. The NBA and NHL abandoned their rinks and courts. The NCAA made a blanket statement that halted play in every sport across the country. And, the bad news drifted down to the high school ranks, as well.

The diamonds were left empty as weeds and tall grass began to take over. There were no serves and backhand being parlayed on the courts. No runners crossed a finish line or jumpers landed in pits at the track.

Fields of play were dark and barren just like interstates and Main Street.



The St. Stanislaus RockRock-a-chaws cross country team gather following their Division 8-4A championship run. The team went on to place third overall in Class 4A with Keegan Leverett leading the way as the state individual 4A champion.

gers also advanced to the state playoffs but fell in the second round.

On the girls side, OLA ripped off a record of 16-4-2 and advanced to South State title game where they faced off with their nemesis Sacred Heart. The Crescents fell in triple overtime 2-1.

The Lady Hawks advanced to the first round of the state playoffs while Pass Christian stumbled in the second round of the playoffs.

Hancock owned the lanes in 2020 as the Lady Hawks won the Class III state bowling championship while the Hawks took third overall. Hancock beat Clinton by seven pins as Jena Stallings, McKenzie Conway, and MiKayla Smith were named All-State. On the boys side, Nick Cumberland was named All-State and bowled the first-ever perfect game in

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Over the course of their 18 short years on this planet, this class has had every opportunity to give up the fight. First, it was terrorism before they could understand their own name. Then, it



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